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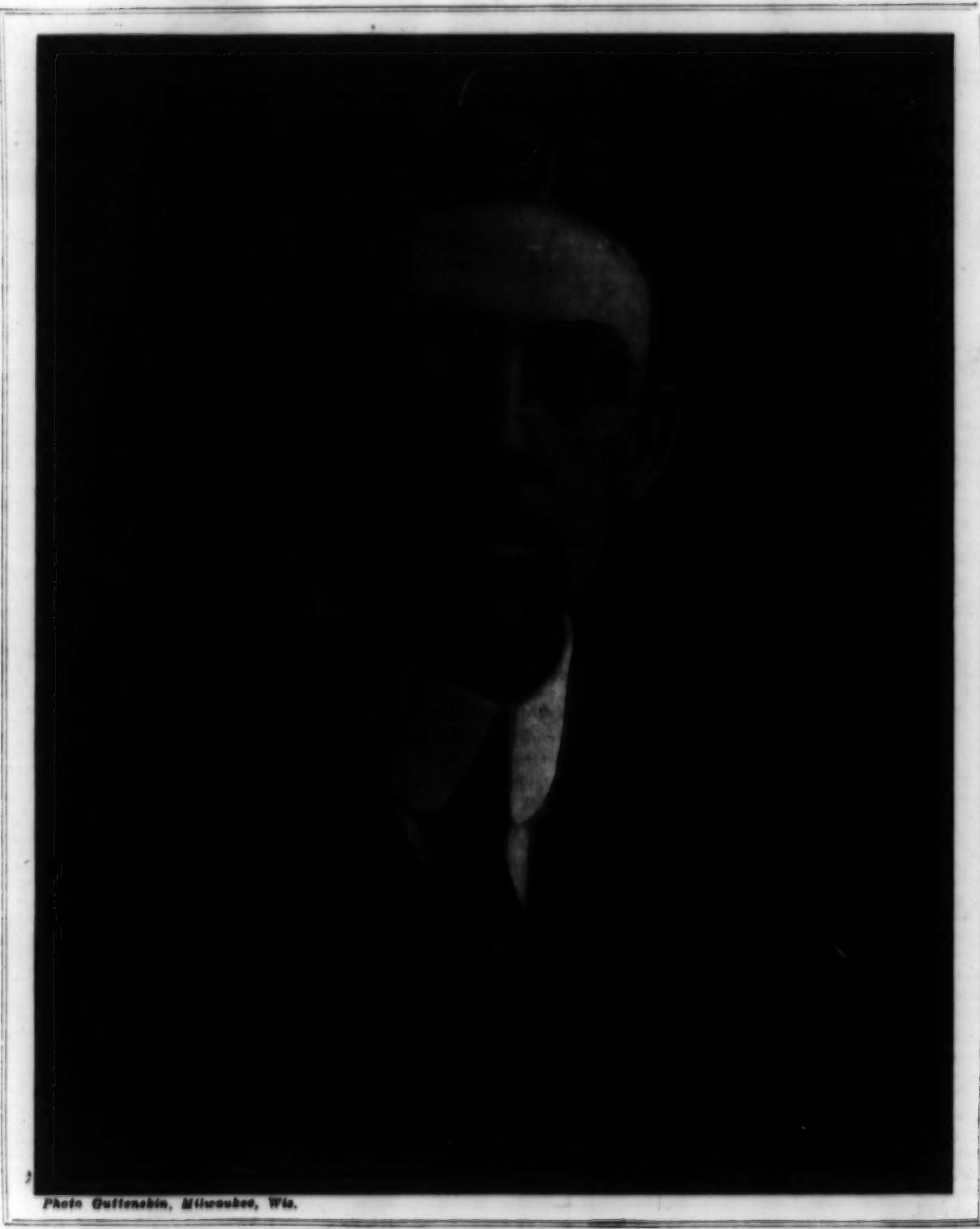


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The editorial lawyer of the esteemed New York Sun takes exception to the decision of the chief justice of Texas that a Wild West Show is not a circus. The chief justice's decision was based upon personal knowledge, for he attended Colonel Cody's show to contrast its features with those of circuses he remembered. A Texas statute exacts a license fee of \$250 for "every circus wherein equestrian or acrobatic feats or performances are exhibited," and the chief justice's notion of duty, in the absence of other testimony in the premises, led to his personal attendance. The chief justice's opinion contained these notes of negation:

There was an absence of the lady with the paucity of garments, the gentleman in spike tail coat with whip in hand, the clown that tries to be funny and often fails, the trick pig or hog, but both doubtless to be found in the audience: the trained animals, bareback riders, high and lofty tumblers, the trapeze performers, rope walkers, chariot races and many others, and, last but not least, the general artist that delights my soul in obligingly taking the photographs of my country cousins as they appear upon the scene.

The Sun's contention is based upon the doctrine of "judicial notice," dealing with circumstances which warrant a court in assuming the existence of certain facts without taking proof. Thus judicial notice may be taken of the hour of sunrise or sunset on a given day, the distance of one city from another, and like established matters. And the assumption is that this judge, in attending the show, was guilty of a reprehensible enlargement of his judicial function. All of which should inspire new respect for legal procedure, which is about the only thing on earth that defies modern progress in spite of the desire of an occasional judge to be entertained in the course of duty.

A well-known American critic, writing from London, takes "Edward VII as a Playgoer" for his subject, and notes the "placid, affable and unmoved" demeanor of that monarch on all occasions in the theatre, no matter how bad the play or the performance, as a lesson to critics—this critic takes the lesson to himself—in forbearance. Yet King Edward, no doubt, in privacy might be as caustic and critical in these matters as the sharpest writer of them all.

As might have been inferred, CABASA and CABUSO are distinct musical individualities.

AS TO MELODRAMA.

It seems but yesterday, although it really was several seasons in the past, that melodrama flourished in New York. In the days of its popularity it did not often linger long on Broadway, where it was seen but occasionally as a medium to fill dates left open by one or another vicissitude of the theatrical business; but on the East Side, in Harlem, and in outlying precincts there were many theatres in which nothing but melodrama was offered.

The Borough of Manhattan to-day has not a single theatre devoted to melodrama. The Borough of the Bronx, that marvelous new district—a city in itself—to the north, while it is building theatres of its own, has no thought of melodrama; the Borough of Richmond, embracing historic Staten Island, has its theatrical amusements, but melodrama is seldom or never seen there; the Borough of Queens knows it not as a regular amusement; and the Borough of Brooklyn alone of Greater New York starts this season with theatres in which melodrama will be given, having two devoted to that form of amusement.

Melodrama lives in other cities of the country, but in a comparatively subdued manner. It has long been on the wane, and shows no sign of immediate recovery. The reasons for its decline are many. Other and cheaper amusements, like the motion pictures, give something of its thrills with elements that it lacks, although the motion pictures do not present that nearer simulation of life which speech assists. But one reason for the amazing falling off in melodrama—a cause to which THE MIRROR called attention seasons ago—was furnished by the types of melodrama that succeeded the more rational examples of this class of plays which so long flourished. Melodrama became vitiated. It dealt with eccentric instead of normal subjects, and dipped too deeply into crime with a more or less confused sense of the moral responsibilities. Many people who promoted it did not observe distinctions, which the public, particularly the cheaper public, insists upon in its drama, and the result has been natural. Melodrama has been repudiated.

Will melodrama revive some day? Probably it will revive, but not in the forms it has taken in recent seasons. The older melodramas, crude as they were in many things, were wholesome. There were clear distinctions in them, both in action and in lines, as to guilt and innocence, vice and virtue. Their heroes were as unmistakable as their villains, and crime was punished, while honesty was rewarded. Certain elemental things were set forth in accordance with tradition, and applauded or reprehended, as they deserved to be. And this is the sort of melodrama, with certain "modern improvements," that the great mass of theatre-goers to which elemental plays appeal no doubt still hungers for.

The theatrical dancers of Paris are organizing a union, following like combination of orchestra musicians, chorus people and stage mechanicians in that capital. The dancers claim that they are the hardest worked and poorest paid persons in the profession, and they seek to eliminate foreign competition, especially from Italy, and secure higher pay based on long apprenticeship and earning power. Yet such an organization cannot prevent the occasional appearance of a genius of motion from the ranks of the mechanically graceful.

VAUDEVILLE has been much improved in recent years, and greatly varied. Perhaps its most curious recruit, however, is a so-called "apostle of light," a priestess of various cults of the remote East, whose vicissitudes in the incitation of various esoteric doctrines on two hemispheres have periodically saved the yellow press from fading. Yet in vaudeville it is a curious personality rather than a desire to study the esoteric that appeals. This surely is a strange world.

THE North Pole is no longer *terra incognita*, but it probably never will become amusement territory.

PERSONAL



Photo Mishkin, N. Y.

FILKINS.—Grace Filkins, of whom the above is a pleasing portrait, is an actress whom one most easily describes as "reliable." Glancing back over her career, one studded regularly each season with some painstaking, well-imagined characterization, that characterization comes to mind first. Grace Filkins is dependable. She has never in any great degree been disappointing in any role, and her name on a programme prompts one to sit back contentedly, certain of seeing careful and effective work. And Miss Filkins has intelligence. She has proved it during a stage career associated with such players as Ada Rehan, John Drew, James T. Lewis, with all three of whom she played while with Augustin Daly's company; Sol Smith Russell, Rosina Vokes, Helena Modjeska, and Otis Skinner. During the past half dozen years her New York appearances have been made in George Broadhurst's The Last Chapter, The Daughters of Men, The Stepsister, and last night she was seen at the Hudson Theatre in the leading role in Henry B. Harris' second new production of the still young season, An American Widow.

IRVING.—When Arthur Bourchier produces Alfred Sutro's new play, Making a Gentleman, at the Garrick Theatre, London, shortly, the leading feminine role will not be played, as previously supposed, by Violet Vanbrugh (Mrs. Bourchier), but by Ethel Irving, the young English actress, who was responsible for the success in London of Somerset Maugham's bright comedy, Lady Frederick, playing Lady Frederick Berolles, the rôle enacted in America so cheerily by Ethel Barrymore. The substitution of Miss Irving for Miss Vanbrugh is made necessary by the continued London success of Clyde Fitch's, The Woman in the Case, in which Miss Vanbrugh is playing the leading rôle, and which is shortly to be transferred to Sir Charles Wyndham's theatre, the New. Miss Irving, not only an actress and comedienne of undoubted talent, has had managerial experience. As an actress-manager she produced at the London Criterion, in 1905, Charles Brookfield's adaptation from the French, What Pamela Wanted, and later revived W. S. Gilbert's Comedy and Tragedy and produced first in London Sidney Bowkett's comedy, Lucky Miss Dean. She visited America in the early nineties and later played in Australia.

COLLIER.—Constance Collier is on her way to America to assume the leading feminine rôle in Charles Frohman's production of Israel, her second Bernstein rôle in this country. Miss Collier made her first appearance on the stage in the London Gaiety burlesque of Don Juan. She then took Violet Robinson's part in The Gaiety Girl at Daly's, London. After a serious illness she returned to the stage in The Shop Girl. A year later she turned her attention to serious work, and was engaged by Cariwright to play Elsie Wilson in Tommy Atkins. She next appeared in The Late Mr. Costello and then joined Wilson Barrett's company to play Aucasia in The Sign of the Cross. Among other important plays in which she has appeared are The Ghetto, Sweet Nell of Old Drury, When We Were Twenty-one, Ulysses, The Eternal City, Julius Caesar, Resurrection, Oliver Twist, Nero, Business Is Business, Colonel Newcome, Anthony and Cleopatra, The Red Lamp, The Last of His Race and The Sins of Society. She is the wife of Julian L'Estrange.

NORDICA.—Lillian Nordica and her husband, George W. Young, arrived in New York on the *Lusitania* last Thursday night. Madame Nordica will sing in opera only this season, except for her customary concert at Ocean Grove.

The Usher



William Marion Reedy, editor of the St. Louis *Mirror*, writes regarding the opening of a new theatre in that city:

St. Louis, of course, welcomes a new theatre and especially one that shall be under the management of the popular *Fishells*, but why in the name of Thalia and Terpsichore should it be named the *Princess*? That is well enough in London or Berlin or St. Petersburg, but what *Princess* have we to so honor? Were there no names of local significance and historic associations to bestow upon the new home of the drama? There is a *Princess Theatre* in New York, but the title is a misnomer there as here. The *Fishells* certainly would be aided by the intellectual citizenry of this burg if they should attempt to secure a name for their venture that would suggest something of dramatic history, if not of this city, at least of this country. Why not name the house after N. M. Ludlow, the local historian of the stage? Why not revive the name and fame of Ben De Bar, the greatest of all Falstaffs, since it has fallen into disuse in connection with the *Grand Opera House*? Or, again, why not call it the *Sol Smith Theatre*, since Smith was an actor of much local fame? But if these local theatrical names might mean little to the world at large, the *Fishells* might call their house the *Booth*, the *Barrett*, the *Jefferson*, the *Manfield*, the *McCullough*. Any name would be more appropriate than the *Princess*, for which there is absolutely no reason in American or St. Louis history or tradition, dramatic or otherwise.

This is a legitimate protest against the many inappropriate names in the field of the theatre.

There is no reason why a theatre erected in any American city should have a name that suggests something foreign in fact or in social habit.

There are a multitude of good names in every locality that smack of the locality and that could quite properly be given to theatres. And if names of locality give out, there are enough names of persons of the theatre, or of those who in one or another way have honored the theatre, to serve for this purpose.

The misnaming of American theatres should stop, and it is not too late even to change the misnomers to fit and characteristic titles.

The seemingly interminable censorship inquiry by the Parliamentary Committee in London has developed many interesting features.

One of the witnesses, W. L. Courtney, editor of *The Fortnightly Review*, described himself as "a writer on dramatic subjects." He has written several plays, and his version of *Oedipus Rex*, prepared for Martin Harvey, was interdicted. He argued against the censorship. It was impossible, he said, for one person to know enough, or to be sufficiently free from ordinary human error, to carry out such a task. Moreover, the censorship had been discredited by the passing of several plays which were undesirable, and the refusal of other plays which ought to have been passed. He declared that had Ibsen been an Englishman several of his plays would have been vetoed. This examination took place:

Lord Willoughby de Broke: Apart from the cultured few who sit in the first two rows of the pit—[laughter]—is there a demand from the ordinary playgoer for the abolition of the censor?—I should say they care very little about it. "The cultured few" are, from my point of view, the people of experience.

The only people whose opinion is worth having—I belong to a class who say their opinion is worth having—the dramatic critics. [Laughter.] For a man who is going to start dramatic criticism I could imagine nothing better than that he should sit in the first two rows of the pit. I am one of those optimistic idiots who believe that the drama is going to have a future.

Colonel Lockwood: What class are they drawn from—the middle class?—Yes, very largely. They are shopkeepers, clerks, etc. They do not go for amusement, but because they are seriously interested in the drama.

Lord Ribblesdale: You look upon the two rows as a sort

of Pretorian guard which, from motives of self-preservation, authors have to reckon with?—They would be wise to do so.

Sir William Gilbert, the next witness, was strongly of opinion that there should be a censor, but he was still more strongly of opinion that the responsibility of vetoing a play should not rest on the shoulders of the censor. There should be an appeal from him to a body consisting of an arbitrator, appointed by the author, another by the Lord Chamberlain, and a third by these two. Some of the leading dramatic authors were of opinion that there should be a censor.

Asked as to be the interdiction of *The Mikado* on the occasion of the visit of the Japanese fleet, Sir William said he considered it an illegal act. "It was an act of depredation," he argued, "to take my play, which was worth £10,000 to me, and without any communication with me to prohibit its performance." Asked whether it may have been a *casus belli*, he said: "No, the music of *The Mikado* was being played at the moment on the Japanese ships in the Medway."

Answering questions by Colonel Lockwood with reference to the difference between novels and plays, Sir William said: "If in a novel you read that Eliza slipped off her nightgown and stepped into her bath no harm would be done, but it could not be allowed on the stage."

Will J. Irvin, writing from Atlanta, Ga., introduces a subject that will interest many members of the profession.

Mr. Irvin some time ago was forced to give up work—as well as hope—on account of tuberculosis. He says:

Theodore Bromley, assistant secretary of the Actors' Fund, will verify the first part of my own experience, which, in brief, was that after nearly a year in Northern hospitals, I was sent to Southern Pines, N. C., confidently expected to die within a very short time. This was over eight years ago. Within about four months I was able to do light work sufficient to earn my living, and within less than a year I returned to my professional work and have been working steadily ever since. I owe my restoration to comparative health and my fitness to work to Southern Pines air and to Dr. Edwin Gladmon, proprietor of the Southern Pines Sanitarium. In the interval a number of other theatrical people have gone to Southern Pines and have been more or less benefited. All the better known resorts for consumptives are expensive to reach from New York and expensive to live in when reached. Southern Pines is only eighteen hours away and living expenses are not merely moderate—they are low. Hundreds of sick actors, particularly consumptives, drag along and eventually die because they have exaggerated ideas of the expense of and feel they cannot possibly pay for resori treatment. I am thoroughly convinced that a fairly definite knowledge of what Southern Pines is, where it is, and the benefits to be had there would be a veritable Godsend to hundreds of consumptives in the profession, who are as I was practically in despair. I write this without a shadow of selfish interest. I do not own anything in Southern Pines or near there. I have no financial or practical interest in anything connected with the place or the State. I merely want to do what I should have done long ago, a service to the sick of the profession.

THE MIRROR publishes this in the spirit that actuated Mr. Irvin in its writing. Such a place should be known to members of the profession whose need it will serve.

Have members of the theatrical profession been in danger of falling into the ancient Spanish swindle?

At least one of them—E. J. Carpenter—was "approached," but he did not nibble at the bait offered.

There has been something in the newspapers about victims. Mr. Carpenter received this letter, evidently written by one whose knowledge of English was assisted by study of a pocket dictionary, bearing a Madrid date:

SIR.—Arrested by bankruptcy, I beg your aid to recover a trunk with £50,000 in bank notes deposited at an English railway station, but its ticket, besides a check of £2,400 payable to bearer, are both hidden at a *secret* of a valise seized by court.

I offer you the *third* part of amount if you come to use the *seize* of valise.

I cannot receive your answer at prison, so must be sent to my servant by a cablegram thus:

Andres Ruiz: Gorquero 8, Madrid.

Not sure you may receive this letter I await your reply to sign full name.

Please answer by cable, not by letter, and by caution please sign with this name—"Barrios."

Mr. Carpenter did not cable. He simply smiled.

MORE THAN EVER INDISPENSABLE.

Providence Tribune.

In its new form THE NEW YORK DRAMATIC MIRROR is more than ever indispensable for those who would keep in touch with stage events. The page is smaller, but while the magazine is now more compact its 32 pages still contain each week as much news as did the larger form now discarded, while the change has much improved the appearance of the magazine.

FRED ERIC IN CHARACTER.



Fred Eric is pictured here as the Duke Orsino in *Maude Adams*' production of *Twelfth Night* at Harvard. Mr. Eric made his London debut as the Woodsprite in the Sothern-Marlowe production of *Hauptman's The Sunken Bell*, and upon his return to America originated the role of Alceus in Percy Mackaye's poetic tragedy, *Sappho and Phaon*. He recently returned from a tour of the West with the Marie Doro company.

THE EDUCATIONAL OPERA SEASON.

The preliminary season at the Manhattan Opera House opened Monday night, Aug. 30, with a brilliant and all-round satisfying performance of Meyerbeer's *Le Prophète*. Mr. Hammerstein having provided for his revival of this ninety-year-old favorite an admirable cast, a well-drilled chorus, as well as handsome costumes and scenic equipments.

In a brief speech after the third act the impresario expressed the hope that these introductory performances would educate the musical public to attend the regular opera season later.

Le Prophète was sung in French, only four acts being given, with the following cast: John of Leyden, the Prophet, George Lucas; Fides, Margarita D'Alvarez; Bertha, Madame Walter-Villa; Count Oberthal, Mr. Laskin; the three Anabaptists, Jonas, Mathisen, Zacharias, Pierre Leroux, Gaston Villa, and Constantine Nicoisy, respectively. Two of the cast are new to New York, Miss D'Alvarez, a contralto from the Antwerp Opera House, whose voice is of very even, pleasing quality and has a great range, and Madame Walter-Villa, with a light soprano voice lacking in dramatic quality. They received a number of curtain calls, as did also George Lucas, who used to excellent advantage a voice rather lacking in virile quality, making a decided success in the title-role. Mr. Laskin also produced a favorable impression as Count Oberthal.

The much heralded Spanish tenor, Frederico Carasa, made his American debut at the Manhattan Opera House Tuesday evening, Aug. 31, appearing as Rhadames in Verdi's *Aida*. He faced a large and critical audience, whose friendly applause was tinged with evident disappointment. Carasa did not justify the expectations of his auditors or the many claims made for him as a supreme artist. He certainly was the finest looking Rhadames ever seen in New York, and he assuredly has great natural endowments, both vocal and dramatic, but they do not seem to be fully matured or under his complete control. He made a strong impression, however, and after the third act received nine curtain calls, together with Madame Alice Baron and M. Pignatario. The cast was: Aida, Madame Alice Baron; Amneris, Mlle. Bertha Soyer; Rhadames, Frederico Carasa; Ramnis, Henri Scott; Amonasro, M. Pignatario; the King, M. de Graslin; Messenger, M. Venturini; a Priestess, Madame Gentile.

Wednesday night's performance of *Carmen* marked the reappearance in New York of Marguerite Sylva, who was heard in Broadway musical comedies several years ago. She is one of the "real" voices in Mr. Hammerstein's present company, perhaps the best singer he has introduced this season. Her work was greatly enjoyed. The cast was: Carmen, Marguerite Sylva; Micaela, M. Walter-Villa; Frasquita, Mlle. Tatay-Long; Mercedes, Madame Duchene; Don Jose, Georges Lucas; Escamillo, M. Laskin; Dancalero, M. Niclai; Zuniga, M. De Graslin; Remendado, M. Leroux; Morales, M. Fossetta. Musical conductor, Carlo Nicossia. Thursday night Lucia attracted a top-heavy house and the Sextette was well sung and received tumultuous applause. The one new artist on the evening's cast, Domenico Russo, has a tenor voice of rather limited volume and quality, and did not make so favorable impression as did Madame Lalla Miranda, whose singing of the title-role was of a much higher order, even and flexible and at times even brilliant. The cast was: Lucia, Madame Lalla Miranda; Alisa, Madame Severini; Edgardo, M. Domenico Russo; Ashton, M. Pignatario; Arturo, M. Venturini; Normando, M. De Graslin. Musical conductor, Sturani. *Aida* was repeated Friday evening and *The Prophet* Saturday evening, with the same casts, and for Saturday matinee *La Traviata* was the bill. The bills for this week are: *Carmen*, Monday; Lucia, Tuesday; *The Prophet*, Wednesday; *La Juive*, Thursday; *Rigoletto*, Friday, and Saturday, Carmen.

REVIEWS OF NEW PLAYS

As THE MIRROR goes to press in advance of the usual time on account of the Monday holiday, reviews of openings on Saturday, Sept. 4, are deferred until next week.

To be reviewed next week:
 THE BRAIDS.....Majestic
 THE FORTUNE HUNTER.....Gaely
 AN AMERICAN WIDOW.....Hudson
 THE DOLLAR PRINCESS.....Knickerbocker
 THE REVELLERS.....Maxine Elliott's
 THE MELTING POT.....Comedy

Criterion—The Flag Lieutenant.

Comedy in four acts, by Major W. P. Drury and Leo Trevor. Produced Aug. 30. (Charles Frohman, manager.)

Vice Admiral, the Hon. Sir Berkeley Wyne, K. C. B. Lumsden Hare John Penrose John May Bruce McRae W. H. Gilmore Francis Carlyle Lawrence Grant Basil Hallam George Probert Homer Hunt Herbert Budd Emmet Whitney Dudley Davies G. H. J. Ginn Richard Garrick Frank Shannon George K. Roland Wallace Jackson Adeline Wheatcroft Ross Rand Isabel Irving Helen Freeman Viola Hood Vera McCord Lady Hermione Wyne

Being British does not make The Flag Lieutenant less interesting to Americans. Being rather simple and romantic and filled with dramatic heroism does not make the play less entertaining to theatregoers accustomed to problems. It is both British and simple. It is also well acted and staged, and Monday night's audience accepted it with pleasure. The first and second acts were best liked; the third act was found dull and the fourth act, thin and ill-nourished, was enjoyed for its setting.

Richard Lascelles, flag lieutenant, is a social comedian with some manner and no inclination to be serious. He is in love with Lady Hermione Wyne, niece of the admiral, Sir Berkeley Wyne. His best friend is William Theesiger, major of marines. Theesiger is in love with Mrs. Cameron, a tactful widow. Theesiger has never had an opportunity to show his worth. There is trouble in Crete and the garrison of Kandia, commanded by a Scotchman, Colonel Macleod, has asked Admiral Wyne for aid. Theesiger is sent on a small gunboat with a detachment of marines and Lascelles, after much begging, is permitted to accompany him as interpreter. The boat is wrecked in the landing. Marines and sailors join Colonel Macleod's troops on the walls of Kandia, besieged by an overwhelming force of Bashibazouks. If the telegraph office, on the other side of the enemy's lines, can be reached the fleet can be called upon for relief. Theesiger puts on the clothes of a dead Bash and attempts to pass the lines. He is struck by a bullet before he leaves the ramparts. Lascelles takes the Bash's clothing and makes a try. During his absence a wounded Bash is brought in with information. Lascelles cannot be found to interpret and the man dies before he can tell his story. Lascelles returns, wounded, but successful. Theesiger recovers consciousness, but his memory of events immediately preceding his accident is gone. Lascelles, to repay an old favor given Theesiger credit for passing the lines and getting the message off. The Bash's attack and the fleet arrives in time to save the garrison. Back at Malta, where the fleet is stationed, people call Lascelles a coward and say he hid during the fight. He refuses to defend himself, even to the girl he loves. Theesiger is made a colonel and is much feted for his courage. On board the flagship, where a court of inquiry has been called, comes the telegraph operator from Kandia. He recognizes Lascelle's voice. Mrs. Cameron understands Lascelle's sacrifice and makes him confess. The admiral overbears the confession, calls off the court of inquiry and exonerates Lascelles without taking away any of Theesiger's laurels, which are most satisfactory. The band plays "God Save the King" and the guns fire a royal salute in honor of Edward's birthday.

Bruce McRae covered himself with glory by his performance of the role of the light-minded Lascelles. Exuberant and boyish, he made a very attractive figure of the hero. Isabel Irving as Mrs. Cameron, the only really important woman character in the play, was charming in her portrayal of the big-hearted widow. Vera McCord made the role of Lady Hermione sufficiently sympathetic and was particularly good in the third act. Helen Freeman was also good as Viola, engaged to the Admiral. Ross Rand as an old gossip was excellent, and Adeline Wheatcroft as a reminiscent chaperone was one of the brightest hits in the cast.

Lumsden Hare played the Admiral to the life (as one might imagine an admiral). Francis Carlyle as Theesiger filled a difficult role extremely well. Basil Hallam was very good as Midshipman Horatio Hood. George Probert as another middy played the part with juvenile enthusiasm and an evident understanding of the part. C. Leslie Allen as a gossipy old general was excellent. George K. Roland as the wounded Bashibazouk deserves considerably more than a passing notice. In a very small part he made himself the most strongly marked character in the play, and his performance astonishingly impressive. The applause he received at the end of his scene was from the heart of the audience. Lawrence Grant was rather colorless as the surgeon and

rather unskillful at applying bandages. Emmet Whitney and Dudley Digges as two talkative marines afford some comedy. H. J. Ginn was good as the Scotch colonel, and Frank Shannon did the telegraph operator very well. John May and W. H. Gilmore were lost in small roles of naval officers. The "bits" were played consistently.

Circle—in Hayti.

Musical farce, in two acts; the book by John J. McNally and the music and lyrics by Jerome and Schwartz. Produced Aug. 30. (Klaw and Erlanger, managers.)

Gertrude Barrett James McIntyre Jasper Johnson Thomas Heath Eliza Izzy Rosenstein Julian Rose Rosey Rosenstein Mabel Sealby Timothy Burke O'Malley Toby Lyons Colonel Scott Alfred Fisher Marion Stanley John H. Pratt Harry Holbrook Lena Merville Ann Elias Space Jane Burby Ruth Ann Morgan Adele Rowland Florence Force Otto Johnson Otto Winnie

This newest exploitation of those two amusing delineators of a certain type of darky character, McIntyre and Heath, presents them in an elaborate setting of conventional musical comedy. About the worst thing that can be said of *Hayti*, in fact, is that it is thoroughly conventional. There is a marked lack of novelty or freshness in both acts, the two principal comedians offering only the vaudeville specialties to which they owe their fame. Both are always funny, however, and any regret one may feel that they did not see fit to freshen their material is lost in the numerous hearty laughs they arouse with the time-worn antics and jests.

In *Hayti* contains little or no plot, whatever story there is serving merely as a skeleton on which to hang numerous vaudeville features—the monologue of Julian Rose, which, alas! did not include a fresh line, consisting entirely of the mildly funny jokes which Mr. Rose was wont to deliver for so many seasons in vaudeville as Levin-sky (so identical, in fact, that Mr. Rose forgot himself occasionally and referred to himself by that vaudeville name), several extravagantly costumed song numbers and a series of pretty scenic effects.

There are one or two pleasing musical numbers, "Romeo and Juliet," "Izzy Rosenstein" and "Come, Toddle Along," being particularly whistable. The latter is an amusing effort by the composers to supply Fletcher Norton with a dancing number similar to the "Hello, Come Along, Girls," song in *The Belle of Mayfair*, a song in which Norton had excellent opportunity to display his skill as a graceful and pleasing dancer. "Come, Toddle Along," furnishes him but little such opportunity. And that's a pity.

Marion Stanley looks extremely pleasing and sings agreeably. Mabel Sealby was quite charming at times. Carl McCullough sang one song in a fashion approved by "parlor entertainers," with much attention amateurishly paid to enunciation and proper accent. John Pratt sang excellently, and really earned for "Romeo and Juliet" the encores it received. Adele Rowland had little to do, but accomplished that little so well that one wished it were more.

It is unnecessary to say that the piece was mounted and costumed with little regard for cost, many of the frocks worn in the chorus being as beautiful as any one can remember seeing for some time in any similar production. The gowns and quaint bonnets worn by the girls accompanying Mr. Rose in the "Rosenstein" song, made in soft shades of purple and green, were decidedly pleasing.

Some fresh matter for Messrs. McIntyre, Heath and Rose, a brightening of the book, a little more of Fletcher Norton and a little less of Toby Lyons—and *Hayti* would be vastly improved.

Hackett—Such a Little Queen.

Comedy, in four acts, by Channing Pollock. Produced Aug. 31. (Henry B. Harris, manager.)

Mary Jessie Ralph Baron Cosca George W. Barnum Anna Victoria Elsie Ferguson Nathaniel Quigley Louis R. Gruel Robert Trainor Francis Byrne Adolph Lauman Ralph Stuart Elizabeth Lauman Eleanor Lawson Stephen IV Frank Gillmore Cora Fitzgerald Gertrude Barrett Margaret Donnelly Marion Beaufort Harry Sherman G. W. Wood Count Michael William Cahan General Myra McIlveen Johnston Colonel Haupt Arthur A. Klein Prince Niklas A. W. Neuendorf

Mr. Pollock has supplied a pleasant little preposterous romance for the use of some very fine actors selected by Mr. Harris, and both the author and the actors should be congratulated. They were, by a large first-night audience that laughed at Mr. Pollock's humor and felt sorry for the poor queen who wore her coronation room as a kitchen dress. The disgruntled few who found the play inconsistent and complained that it had no "problem" were those who have forgotten their fairy stories and no longer love their George Barr McCutcheon.

Anna Victoria, exiled queen of Herzegovina, and Baron Cosca, her prime minister, take up

residence in a St. Nicholas avenue flat, to await recall to her throne and court. They are very poor. Robert Trainor, American, met them on the steamer from Trieste, and fell in love with Anna Victoria. The Queen is the fiancée of King Stephen IV. of Boosnia, also exiled and known as Stephen the Debonnaire. He comes to America and Queen Anna cooks chops and potatoes for him. They find positions in the office of Adolph Lauman, beef packer and climber. Lauman wants Stephen for a son-in-law. Lauman's daughter does not want him for a husband, being in love with Trainor. Stephen loves his fiancée, in spite of a state engagement. She persuades him to go to work to hold his job, for she, too, loves her fiancée. The king, telling Lauman that he won't marry him, even to save his crown, is accused of theft and arrested. Queen Anna Victoria resigns. None of them, in Act III, can find work. Even Baron Cosca tries. Then arrives a messenger from Boosnia offering the king his throne again on conditions that include his rejection of Queen Anna Victoria. He refuses to reject. The Queen thereupon says she loves Trainor, and the king accepts the messenger's offer. Trainor takes a hand in European politics. He bribes the Bosnian messenger and the Herzegovinan emissaries to return the queen, tells the king that Anna Victoria's statement of love was a sacrifice to save his throne, and starts for Honduras, there to be joined, later, by Miss Lauman.

In plain English, Elsie Ferguson had a triumph as the Queen. The charm of the little queen was the charm of Miss Ferguson's splendid acting, her fine, true, German accent, her beauty and her altogether pleasing personality. Her work in this part gives her a right to look stardard. Frank Gillmore as the King played with debonair grace and stage kingly dignity, understanding and capably interpreting the role. Francis Byrne appeared as the American who loves the queen. He filled the character extremely well, though the character is rather too "fresh youth" and slangy to serve as a good foil to Her Majesty. George W. Barnum was amusing as the old Baron who cannot change his habits. Ralph Stuart made a good stage millionaire in the role of Adolph Lauman. Jessie Ralph in a small but meaty part of an Irish servant was delightful, and Eleanor Lawson made Miss Lauman a very agreeable person. Menevile Johnston in the role of General Myras of Boosnia gave a careful and satisfactory performance. Gertrude Barrett and Marion Little appeared as stenographer and telephone girl, and Stanley G. Wood did very well as the thieving clerk. Sherman Louis R. Gruel played a rather conventional landlord. The other roles were capably taken.

New York—The Sins of Society.

Melodrama, in four acts and fourteen scenes, by Cecil Raleigh and Henry Hamilton. Produced Aug. 31. (Brooks and Dingwall, managers.)

Lady Marion Beaumont Laura Nelson Hall Mr. Goldbury Louise Closser Hale Lady Gwendolen Ashley Louise Boller Caroline, Duchess of Danciby Lucy Sibley Mrs. Margaret Florence Edney Mrs. Barton T. Bockett Rosalie De Veaux Lady Norman Grace Thorne Lady Cirencester Lillian Gurney Mrs. De Courcy Tremaine Alice Dean Lady Angelina Hawthorne Virginia Bell Mrs. Bellamy Wilson Jessica Carbee Mrs. Storer White Jane Ashley Maid Alice Seymour Mabel Mabel Paschal Higgins Margarette Florence Noel Ferrers W. L. Abingdon Sir Durian March Conway Tearle Dame Rosa Leslie Kenyon Mr. Morris Donald Macleod Lord Enders Clifford Hinote Captain Carruthers Malcolm Wilson Lord Craven C. P. Bell Colonel Gretton Charles Rowan Captain Thorn Dell Paschal Sergeant Wrangham William Walkers Recruiting Sergeant Anthony Jones Sentry Charles Fleming Private Bains Charles Fleming Mr. Theesiger Reginald Barlow Mrs. Charles Lawrence Mrs. Reginald Barlow Parker Elmer Watts Williams Charles Fleming Footman Charles Rowan Downton Louis Keller Inspector of Police George Hamilton Clifford Hippie

Actors and story are little more than settings for the scenery in this latest Drury Lane melodrama, which is a general rule of Drury Lane. This accessory story is not as interesting as one might expect for such a play; not as full of thrills as one might hope for. The actors are worthy of some-thing far better. Here is the plot:

Lady Marion Beaumont loses thousands of pounds at bridge. She is broke. The villain, Noel Ferrers, who wants to marry Lady Marion's sister, Lady Gwendolen Ashley, shows Lady Marion how to substitute a lump of coal for a borrowed tiara and pawn it in a sealed box for one thousand. Lady Marion risks money on Ferrers' horse in the Grand Prix, Longchamps, and the horse loses. Morris learns that a mare resembling the one pawned has been won by Lady Goldsbury. He inspects on Lady Marion unsealing the box. She won't. He gives her a week. Ferrers gives her a bottle of morphine. She poisons Morris and steals the box. She is pursued. She gives the box to Sir Durian March, in love with Lady Gwendolen. Sir Durian, in a punt and fighting real burglars, passes the box over to James Hogg, a millionaire comedy relief and the wife of his. Sir Durian is accused of robbing Morris. He runs away, gives up his commission in the army and enlists as a private for foreign service. On board a troop ship his identity is disclosed, but the ship sinks

before they can arrest him. The soldiers go down standing at attention with colors flying. Ferrers continues to pester Lady Marion for Gwendolen's hand, after an interval consumed in giving a pet dog dinner. He says he will send Lady Marion to a felon's cell if Lady Gwendolen doesn't marry him. Lady Gwendolen consents. Lady Goldsbury and Mr. Hogg discover a way to save her. They put the real tiara into the box and then redeem it from Morris. Lady Gwendolen goes to church with Ferrers and the preacher begins the service. From the chancel steps Sir Dorian, returned from a supposed watery grave, Lady Gwendolen falls into his arms. Morris says he's not to be arrested. The preacher speaks an epiphany. The fourteenth and last scene is hidden by the curtain.

The principal scenes show the clubhouse lawn at Longchamps; the rhododendron grounds at Windsor, the Thames, a waterfall, the deck of a steamship with a real fog whistle and an ability to sink gracefully, a stretch of Devonshire coast, the exterior of a church and the interior of the same edifice. There is but one "front scene" in the whole fourteen. The incident of the pet dog dinner is best liked by the audience. The dogs are not eaten; they are entertained by the favorite canine of Caroline Duchess of Danbury.

Actors accustomed to less active plays cannot be expected to shine brilliantly in a melodrama in which they have to shout above the noise of the stage hands preparing the next scene. And they cannot make effective climaxes when gathering for a sprint to the dressing rooms as soon as the lights go out. Laura Nelson Hall did very well as the harrassed Lady Marion, and Louise Closser Hale was amusing as the foil to the comedy relief. Louise Butter once or twice became convincing as Lady Gwendolen in very unconvincing scenes. Lucy Sibley, from the Drury Lane, played a comedy grande dame very well indeed. W. L. Abingdon was the villain, Ferrers, and very villainously he scowled. Conway Tearle played Sir Dorian as if he were used to melodrama and succeeded better than any one else in getting his points over. Leslie Kenyon as Mr. Hogg was funny in low comedy and quite active in getting out of the way of things. Dodson Mitchell played the pawnbroker Morris with considerable dignity and did the poisoning scene realistically. There are some twenty more speaking parts and about a hundred silent ones in the cast.

The *Sins of Society* will not reach the popularity of *Hearts Are Trumps* or *The Great Ruby*, perhaps, but it will find considerable favor for the rest of the season.

New Amsterdam—The Love Cure.

Comedy operetta, in three acts; the book adapted by Oliver Herford from Kuensterblut, by Leo Stein and Karl Lindau, and the music by Edmund Sykes. Produced Sept. 1. (Henry W. Savage, manager.)

Torelli Charles J. Ross Craig Campbell Fred Fread Major Vonchka Joseph Allen Mr. Silliman Thomas H. Walsh James James Horne Arda LaCroix Harry Hyde Nelly Vaughn Eddie Bowen Mildred Silliman Eva Fallon Mrs. Julia Silliman Alice Beamer Blanche Rice Helen Rockefeller Grace Waldo George Peacock Fred Reddick William Keister Jack Berman Manager of Novelty Theatre George McDermott Stage Manager Milton Pollock Assistant Stage Manager Henry Russell

Of the story of *The Love Cure*, the latest Viennese importation, it is necessary to say but little. It is David Garrick's idea offered, not through the soft-voiced heralds of B. S. Willard, but twisted about a bit and presented through the medium of feminine cadenzas, tenor roarings and a superb orchestra. It is Nance Oldfield's sweet plot for the disillusionment of her boyish lover portrayed, not through the delicately-traced comedy of Ellen Terry, but carried swingingly along on Eddie Bowen's splendid voice.

Nelly Vaughn, the prima donna at the Novelty Theatre, has coaxed almost slightly from a stage box the adoring glances of its occupant, a young man-about-town, Alfred Blake. Blake has been for long an anonymous admirer, sending her forget-me-nots daily and paying her divers sentimental attentions, and the actress finds herself falling in love with him even while she has not the faintest suspicion of him. She meets him after their first meeting, however, the affair progresses so rapidly that Blake's father, who intends that his son shall marry the daughter of his partner, decides to interfere. In his plan the elder Blake asks the aid of Torelli, the leading man at the Novelty Theatre and the man who at heart is madly in love with Nelly himself. Torelli good-naturedly promises his aid, and he, the elder Blake and Nelly have a conference. The actress, who has not yet learned the actual identity of her lover, sees no connection between the two incidents and enters mirthfully into the scheme to disillusion this newest boy admirer. It is planned to have Nelly and Torelli present at reception to be held the next night at Blake's home, and there the prima donna is to conduct herself in a way to distract the boy and cure him safely from his infatuation. Then for the first time Nelly sees that the young fellow she is to "cure" and the stranger to whom she has given her heart already are one and the same. But she determines to stick to her promise to the elder Blake and proceeds to carry (Continued on page 6.)

THE ACTORS' SOCIETY

THE DEPARTMENT OF ENGAGEMENTS HAS A VERY BUSY WEEK.

Frank Darien Closes a Long, Successful Season with the Poli Forces—Lindsay J. Hall Joins St. Elmo—Society Members Now Prominent in Broadway Bills—Green Room Gossip.



Photo Marion, Lowell, Mass.

Frank Darien, of whom the above portrait is a faithful and attractive likeness, on Saturday last closed a Spring and Summer season of eighteen weeks with the Poli Stock company at Poli's Theatre, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

During that season, a successful one in every way, Mr. Darien won an enthusiastic following in the Pennsylvania city and became one of the most popular juvenile players the Poli forces have ever had. In the past four or five months he has played such roles as that of the Imp in *When We Were Twenty-one*, Arthur in *The Warrens of Virginia*, Sammie in *The Rose of the Rancho*, Alec Robinson in *The Charity Ball*, Mr. Brown in *Mrs. Temple's Telegram*, the Jester in *When Knighthood Was in Flower*, Richard in *What Happened to Jones and Lloyd Calvert* in *The Heart of Maryland*. These and numerous other roles proved Mr. Darien's versatility. Mr. Darien has not definitely settled his plans for next season and is open to offers. He can be addressed, of course, in care of the Actors' Society.

Lindsay J. Hall has been engaged for a prominent role in *St. Elmo*, Willard Holcomb's dramatization of Augusta Evans Wilson's novel of the same name. Two companies are already presenting the play on tour, and another is in course of preparation.

Russell Bassett opened last Thursday with No. 2 The Wolf company, playing Baptiste.

To support Norman Hackett in *Beau Brummel* Jules Murry has secured Morris Burr. Mr. Hackett's season opened Sept. 1 in Middletown, N. Y.

William Friend will be of the court of King Dodoo when that merry monarch traverses the country this season.

Hallett Bosworth will be seen the coming season in support of Max Figman. Herbert Denton will also be a member of Mr. Figman's company.

The Orpheum Players, the popular stock company at the Chestnut Street Theatre, Philadelphia, have been further strengthened by the addition of Ada Boshell.

William Belfort has left the Blazing Trail of Broadway far behind him and is engaged for the Winter as juvenile player with the company at the Bungalow Theatre, Salt Lake City. And in New Orleans, where Mr. Belfort was a staunch favorite all last season, there is wailing and gnashing of teeth because "Billie" refused all inducements to return.

George Barr has been re-engaged for one of Mr. Harris' The Lion and the Mouse companies.

Louis Bresen, for many seasons a warm stock company favorite over in Boston and a capable character actor of admirable methods, has been engaged by the Shuberts for *The Great John Gant*, in support of George Fawcett. Mr. Fawcett's season began in Kansas City last Saturday.

Maurice Campbell has engaged Emma Butler for Henrietta Crosman's support.

Robert Dalton has been engaged for *When His Wife's Away*.

Jennie Dunbar is now a member of the *Just As the Sun Went Down* company.

John R. Furlong will be seen again the coming season in *The Virginian*.

Louis R. Grisell is the Nathaniel Quigg in Mr. Pollock's newest play over at the Hackett. Such a Little Queen.

Alfred Helton is to go on tour with Dolly Varon.

Warren F. Hill has become a prominent member of the company at the Lyceum Theatre at Troy, N. Y.

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out her part of the plan. Despite all her efforts, however, the boy only finds her the more charming, and finally, after all her other methods have failed, Nellie determines to play her trump card. She declares that at heart she is and always has been Torelli's. Torelli, astounded at the turn affairs have taken and not following Nellie's plan clearly since he knows nothing of the sentiment existing between her and young Blake, is overjoyed at what he believes to be a true confession from Nellie that she returns the affection he has for her. However, young Blake is persistent, and breaking his engagement to the girl whom his father wishes him to marry (the girl, by the way, being conveniently in love with someone else) and therefore only willing to free herself, he presents himself at a dinner given in honor of the actress on the stage of the Novelty Theatre after a performance. Previous to his coming Torelli, by chance, through unintentional remarks from Nellie, learns that she merely looked upon her declaration at the reception as a joke, and without letting her suppose that he ever considered it otherwise he passes her over to young Blake with assumed cheerfulness.

One doesn't resent, in the above tale, the fact that one recognizes in it the maneuvers of a trio of old stage friends, David Garrick,

Nance Oldfield and Lady Frederick. One only wonders why it hasn't occurred to some one before that David Garrick would make a splendid operetta.

The cast contains but few names with which the Broadway theatregoer is very familiar. At the rise of the first curtain the name of the singer playing the leading feminine role was a mystery to many. Elsie Bowen, for she was, is a newcomer, comparatively, to Broadway, but her work in *The Love Cure* seems sure to establish her as solidly as any of the many splendid singers Mr. Savage has offered to New Yorkers through the medium of *The Merry Widow* and a half dozen or so earlier musical productions. Her singing voice is delightfully resonant and pleasing, she dances prettily and at divers times during the three acts, particularly at the end of the second, when she was compelled to respond to numerous curtain calls, she displays some little acting ability. Charles J. Ross offered a finished characterization as Torelli and sang, danced and acted as pleasingly as at any time since the "Weber and Fields days." Fred Frear was a funny elder Blake. Craig Campbell, the young tenor chosen by Mr. Savage to replace Neal Mc-

Cay, who is ill, proved to be a singer of discretion who sang his portion of the score in a most pleasing fashion. He is a bit less happy as an actor, however. Eva Falzon was a charming Mildred and sang the one song allotted to her, "Cupid's March," prettily. Harry Hyde played a bashful lover amusingly. Alice Hosmer was the stout, elderly lady with a weakness for matinee idols and was oftentimes very funny in her duet with Mr. Ross in the second act, "Peek-a-Boo." The smaller roles were played adequately by a lengthy cast, and the young woman in the final act who replied to the stage-manager's question as to the whereabouts of one of the chorus girls by explaining crossly that "Cupid has went home," has the makings in her of a comedienne.

Of the music, it need only be said that it is exquisite, a treat to which one can listen delightedly more than once. The motif of Torelli's oft-repeated lines, "Just a play," for instance, is plaintively carried along almost wholly on stringed instruments so hauntingly that one remembers it long after leaving the theatre. The score is never blatant and the melodies one remembers longest and most pleasantly are those heard insinuatingly on only the softest instruments in the orchestra and interlaced beautifully with the most exquisite harp accompaniments.

Scenically and from a sartorial standpoint the production is an extravagant one. The three settings are solidly effective and well planned, and the costuming is of most eye-pleasing quality.

The Love Cure is splendid treatment and exquisitely simple. It is merely an application to the ears and eyes and heart of all that is best in musical comedy.

Court Theatre, Brooklyn—Queen of the Secret Seven.

Melodrama in four acts, by Ike Swift. Produced Aug. 30. (Al. H. Woods, manager.)

James Garnett	Harry Mantell
Tom Garnett	Ralph J. Herbert
Roland Merrick	John F. Lockney
Rose Merrick	Pauline Fletcher
Irene Darton	Cora Quinten
Sukey Saunders	Emily Curtis
William Kane	James Roberts
Barney Fay	George H. Sinclair
Moy Toy	Bert Coler
Olga Lenox	Florence Radinoff

If one wishes to indulge a taste for popular priced melodrama in the greater city he must make his way across one of the bridges connecting the boroughs of Manhattan and Brooklyn, as the latter place alone offers this class of entertainment at the present time. Here Al. H. Woods "presents" each week a thriller. At the Court Theatre (formerly Hyde and Behman's) last week a new one, by Ike Swift, entitled *The Queen of the Secret Seven*, was offered for the delectation of encouraging and appreciative audiences.

Olga Lenox, queen of the secret seven, bearing a grudge against James Garnett, a man of wealth, revenges herself upon his son, Tom Garnett, who spurns her love. Tom loves Irene Darton, sister of Rose Merrick, who is the wife of Roland Merrick, a member of the secret seven, who in turn loves his sister-in-law, Irene. This web of "loves" furnishes the plot of a piece which is devoid of originality, situations which are hackneyed and time-worn. With the exception of the automobile in the third act, which by the way was one of the best actors in the company, all the final curtains lacked the necessary stirring qualities.

Florence Radinoff as the Queen and John P. Lockney as Roland Merrick did not aid materially in the success of the production by their performances. Cora Quinten, who as Little Cora Quinten endeared herself as the little mother in *The Fatal Wedding* some years ago, has grown to handsome womanhood and struggled hopefully with the role of Irene. Ralph J. Herbert's manly portrayal of the hero was somewhat marred by a bad voice. The real hits of the night were the specialties introduced by George H. Sinclair and Emma Curtis, who sang to repeated encores "Phwat's the Matter with the Motorman" and "I Was Made Just for You," respectively.

At Other Playhouses.

EMPIRE.—At this house last night John Drew opened a preliminary fortnight's engagement in his last season's vehicle, *Jack Straw*. On Sept. 21 Mr. Drew will be seen in his new play, *Inconstant George*.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—George Cohan in *The Yankee Prince* was the attraction at this West Side house last night, and both Mr. Cohan, the assisting Cohans and his supporting company were all warmly welcomed.

METROPOLIS.—The season at the Metropolis opened last night with *Augustus Thomas'* gripping play, *The Witching Hour*.

LINCOLN SQUARE.—The Shubert régime at the Lincoln Square was inaugurated Saturday night with Clyde Fitch's merry *Girls as the Bill*.

STUYVESANT.—Frances Starr in a short season of *The Easiest Way* opened the season at this Belasco house Saturday night before a large audience which welcomed both Miss Starr and Mr. Walter's play warmly.

YORKVILLE.—The season at this theatre opened yesterday with *The Ringmaster*, presented by the Shuberts with the same cast seen in the piece at Maxine Elliott's Theatre.

WEST END.—The Blue Mouse opened the new season at this theatre yesterday, the Fitch farce being presented with practically the same cast as that seen in the downtown engagements.

Gossip of the Town

Grace Atwell will make a preliminary starring tour in *La Belle Russe* and *Divorces*, opening Sept. 6 under the direction of the Dorner Company, Inc.

Walter Lawrence is now assembling the company for the support of William Hawley in Louis Evan Shipman's new play, *The Admiral*.

Clara Turner successfully presented *And a Little Child Shall Lead Them* at Williamsport, Pa., recently, for the benefit of the Williamsport Home for the Friendless.

Geraldine Malone has succeeded Clara Palmer in *Havana* at the Casino.

Robert Adams, having closed with the Baker Stock company in Rochester, N. Y., is now playing the juvenile lead in *The Soul Kiss*.

George Arliss' farce, *There and Back*, in a musical form, is to serve as a starring vehicle for Charles E. Evans and Charles H. Hopper under the management of B. C. Whitney.

Daniel Frohman has secured a new play by Theodore Burt Sayre entitled *The Commanding Officer*, which he will produce in the Autumn.

Robert T. Haines has been succeeded in the cast of *The Dollar*, *Mark at Wallack's* by George Backus. Mr. Haines will be seen in William A. Brady's production of *The Intruder*.

The introduction of one of Dvorak's beautiful Bohemian melodies is an incidental feature lending charm to the performance of *The Bridge*, *Hupert Hughes'* play which Harrison Grey Fiske is presenting at the Majestic Theatre.

Twelve coryophes, English girls, engaged by Klaw and Erlanger for *The Silver Star*, the play in which Adeline Genée is to appear, arrived in this city last week for rehearsal on the steamer *Kron Prinz Wilhelm*.

The principals of the new ballet are the Misses Emily Peters, Winnie Andresson, Genevieve Ulrich, Aileen Robinson, Cicile Sewall, Evelyn Raynoum and Elizabeth Himes.

Mile. Ferike Boros, leading woman of the National Theatre at Budapest, to appear the coming season under the management of Earl Burgess in *Joseph Byron Totten's play*, *The World and a Woman*, will be supported by Anne Singleton, Julian Noa, J. Frank Bell and Fred Cummings.

E. J. Carpenter was in St. Louis last week to attend a meeting of stockholders of a new theatre building there in which he is interested.

The Shuberts have announced that Mary Mannerling will be seen early in the season at Daly's in a new play by Emma Beatrice Brunner entitled *The Independent Miss Gower*.

Lulu Glaser in *The Girl from the States* will follow *A Broken Idol* at the Herald Square Theatre.

Anna Held's season in *Miss Innocence* is announced to open at the Colonial Theatre, Boston, Oct. 4.

Harold J. Rehill is now singing the leading tenor role with Eddie Fey in Mr. Hamlet of Broadway.

De Wolf Hopper began rehearsals last week of his new vehicle, *A Matinee Idol*, in which he will be under the management of Daniel V. Arthur.

All the implements and tools used as properties in the spectacular bridge scene in *The Bridge*, in which Harrison Grey Fiske presented Guy Bates Post at the Majestic Theatre last Saturday evening, were actually employed in the construction of the Manhattan Bridge.

Frederica Goring has been re-engaged by William A. Brady as leading woman with Wright Lorimer in *The Shepherd King*.

Fanny Ward, accompanied by Jeannette Slater, who is to have a part in Miss Ward's new play, arrived in New York Thursday night on the *Lusitania*.

Vincent Sternrody, who arrived from England last week on the steamer *Columbia*,

was engaged on Tuesday for Sam Bernard's new musical play, *The Girl and the Wizard*, and joined the company at Hartford. This will be Mr. Sternrody's first venture in a musical play. He was with the Sothern-Mariowe company last season and was associated for several years with the late Sir Henry Irving's company.

Channing Pollock, author of *Such a Little Queen*, has been engaged by Klaw and Erlanger and Joseph Brooks to dramatize *"The Inner Shrine."* The play will be produced during holiday time.

Zeida Sears, who originated the role of Mrs. Lewellyn in *The Blue Mouse* at the Lyric Theatre during its memorable engagement at that playhouse, has returned to the cast of the Clyde Fitch farce and will remain in the company until Mr. Fitch returns to stage *The Manicure Girl*, in which she is to make her first appearance as a Shubert star.

Minna Gale, of the Violin Alien company, playing *The White Sister*, is engaged in writing her reminiscences, which are soon to appear serially in one of the magazines. As leading lady for Lawrence Barrett and Edwin Booth, Miss Gale became closely attached to these great men, and her intimate recollections of them should be well worth reading. She was Ophelia to Booth's Hamlet on the occasion of the latter's farewell to the stage. Her Shakespearean performances at the head of her own company subsequent to Booth's death were marked by their extraordinary insight and subtlety. Miss Gale retired from the stage fourteen years ago, becoming Mrs. Archibald Haynes. As a mere spectator of events theatrical, her viewpoint naturally broadened considerably. Her performance of the Countess Chiaramonte in the late Marion Crawford's last play, in which she is to support Miss Alien, is an event to be looked forward to with interest.

Earna Kendall has started rehearsals of the revival of *The Vinegar Buyer*, which Liebler and Company are to make within a few weeks. This will be preliminary to the appearance of Mr. Kendall in a new play by Tarkington and Wilson. The company engaged to surround the comedian includes Robert V. Ferguson, Frank Lyons, Argie Campbell, J. A. Butler, John Garrick, William Holden, Julia Stuart, Lottie Altar, Emily Wakeman and Queenie Phillips.

James Francis Cooke, the editor of the *Etude*, is to write a three-act comedy for the Shuberts.

Robert Hilliard and Allan Forbes have collaborated on a play called *The Swimming Master*.

Bianca L. West, a Bridgeport, Conn., girl, opened in her home city last Saturday as Emma Brooks in *Paid in Full*.

Al. Leech has been engaged by Lew Fields for *The Jolly Bachelors*, the new Glen MacDonough and Raymond Hubbell review to be seen at the Broadway Theatre later in the season.

Eleanor Robson, who arrived in New York last Saturday on the *Philadelphia*, after spending the Summer in Europe, has begun rehearsals of *The Dawn of a To-morrow*. Miss Robson will open her season under Liebler and Company's management at the West End Theatre, Sept. 20. The company includes Ada Dwyer, Fuller Mellish and probably the same cast which appeared at the Lyceum all last season.

George Backus has been engaged by Daniel V. Arthur to support De Wolf Hopper in *The Matinee Idol*.

Princess Wah-ta-waso, an Indian actress, is said to be meeting with real success on tour with *As Told in the Hills*. The latter production has opened a most promising season.

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The *Lottery*, a comedy by Rida Johnson Young, has been accepted by the Shuberts for production this Fall.

IN CHICAGO THEATRES

The Circus Man Reviewed—Henrietta Crosman in Sham—Queen of the Moulin Rouge—Stock Company Activities—Most of the Theatres Open—Colburn's Gossip.

(Special to The Mirror.)

CHICAGO, Sept. 4.—Nearly all the theatres are open now for the new season and a cool way up, it nicely put an end to the summer period. The Colonial will reopen Monday with Raymond Hitchcock in *The Man Who Owns Broadway*, and the Auditorium will soon begin its new season with some musical comedy, probably a *Cohan*, for the annual policemen's benefit. This will leave the La Salle and the Whitney still dark.

Henrietta Crosman came to Powers' this week in *Sham*, maintaining the fine art of acting with her own ability and a clever company. The play tends to recall its title when compared with real dramas of bigness and strength, but the general verdict of the reviewers of the play, invigorated by the acting and the acting made especially charming with star's gifts is—delightful. It is certainly refreshing after seeing certain efforts to put the coarse, wretched and licentious underworld of Paris on the stage for entertainment with persuasive general invitation to both sexes and all ages. Our brand new play is *The Circus Man*, by Edward Frost, bounded on story by Howard Day about folk in *Palermo* on the sea coast of Maine. The first performance was given last Saturday night. Monday night the size of the audience was still immense. The play is almost perfect in its adjustment to the McVicker clientele and is sure to make many thousands of the more unquestioning patrons of the drama happy. The newspapers have all reported its great success and each night so far the audiences not only by size but by applause have confirmed the reports. As the circus man Macklyn Arbuckle pervades the play as sea brine pervades sea air; giving it power to stimulate, as the "Post" asserted. Like "Way Down East" and *The Round Up*, *The Circus Man* gets into the hearts of the audience, stirring them and lets the crowds go home all good. The circus man is named Hime Look, or Fighting Hime Look, in the list of characters. He and Square Phil Look are sons of "Good For Nothing Look" deceased, who lived all his life in the village. He was bounded to death, and his wife, too, by the pinch-cent banker and trustee of *Palermo*, Judge Willard. Hime thrashed a son of Willard and left the town when a boy. He got into the circus world and prospered. When the play opens he is returning to *Palermo* with a circus and \$40,000. His menagerie includes an elephant, which appears. The gay wagons are drawn on back, as if crossing the village street, which is the main part of the first act scene. Hime meets the widow of the town, rich and good looking, and on its rampage destroys a good deal of the widow's property. She sues him for damages and this makes Hime very happy, for he sees how her suit will help him win his. It does, and wedding bells ring in the last act. Meantime Hime and his brother have a financial and personal settlement to make with the grasping banker and the way Hime puts the skid on a split located somewhere on the verge of the pit of hell, rejoices the audience inconceivably. There are subsidiary love stories and a lot of village characters. There are five acts and several village scenes, mostly exterior. None is an especially notable or original achievement of that kind. The departure of Hime, his bride and the circus census at the close of the play, made a striking picture. Mr. Arbuckle is about the stage in a lively fashion, delivers the good get speeches against the hated old banker and aristocrat with the success of an Antony swaying the Roman crowd, and makes love to the widow with numerous effective comedy additions to natural conduct. The part is not an advance for him from *The County Chairman*, or even the sheriff in *The Round Up*. Frank Currier, with most capable acting, gradually overcame the natural prejudice against the part of the banker and participated in the favor of the audience. Edson R. Miles as Square Phil Look gave one of the most definite, natural and completely played character studies of the kind it has been my privilege to see here in many seasons. The widow was sufficiently well played by Esther Lyon and Lillian Thurgate was attractive and natural as *Sylvana Willard*. The other village and farmer parts were all capably played. The cast:

Fighting Hime Look, Macklyn Arbuckle; Square Phil Look, Edson R. Miles; Judge Willard, Frank Currier; Sylvana Willard, Lillian Thurgate; Kite Willard, C. W. Goddard; Widow Snell, Esther Lyon; Liss Haskell, Alice Martin; Celia Dunham, E. V. Backus; Esther Dunham, Jessie Weatherby; "Hard Times" Wharf, W. J. Gross; King Bradish, George Harcourt; "Fizzy Four" Avery, J. D. Walsh; Ass Brickett, T. F. O'Malley; Captain Nymph Bodish, George A. Weller; Dow Babb, W. N. Babb; Uncle Buck, Sam Reed; Wat Mayo, Frank Craven; Amazene, Jonathan Keefe; Jim Babb, James Norman; Bob, Robert Tyler.

Elsie Janis in *The Fair Co-Ed*, at the Studebaker again, beginning this week, has apparently resumed her place in popular favor. The play is as exhilarating now as before, and if allowed, remain for many weeks.

The Goddess of Liberty will soon finish its month's engagement of *The Beauty Spot* ends at the Garrick to-night. To-morrow *Going Some* will succeed it, and the latest work of two former Chicago newspaper men will be observed with interest.

The Queen of the Moulin Rouge invaded the Loop this week, and reopened the *Olympic* for the season as a musical comedy house. It was treated severely in many instances by the press, but the general opinion seemed to be that it was not as recklessly raunchy as expected. The pious folk who sought the entertainment of this offering Sunday night were sufficiently numerous to fill the theatre. They did not see a smooth performance, the company having come from Pittsburgh and arrived late. The new stage crew at the *Olympic* fussed the scenery, and I have heard that some of the chorus girls were literally pushed on while finishing their toilettes. A piece of scenery, dropped by mistake from above suddenly, shut from view some young women taking off clothes during the song, "Take That Off, too," so the story goes, and

the event moved one man to exclaim, "Saved by the wrath of God." There is an opinion in certain minds that this "show" may soon exhaust the supply of persons in Chicago seeking such entertainment, and that the Queen's record will be similar to that of her charming pal, *The Girl from Rector's*. Her short career here indicated that those persons who are itching to debouch the stage a la New York in Chicago are not going to capture the city at once. The company has received some praise. Phil Ryley has been deemed better than his part, and Dick Temple better than any one or all of his six parts, not having a really good opportunity in any one of them. The sinister Apache Dance, with its revelation of degradation in certain parts of Paris, is not now having been done at the American Music Hall, just as it was at the Garrick. John Hall, the composer, has furnished creditable music, including a number of choral numbers in happy style. Bertha Mills is pleasing and graceful as the Princess, and Joseph Mantley is a breezy King Sacha. The specialties were good. The audience Tuesday night seemed to fill the theatre. It was understood here that Klaw and Erlanger had refused to book any of the six sad productions of last season in New York, and that the Queen of the Moulin Rouge was one of them, yet the *Olympic* is a syndicate house. The Third Degree will succeed *The Traveling Salesman* at the Illinois next Monday, Labor Day.

The new season at the College opened hand-somely with a production of *Clothes*. There was a houseful the opening night, and Marie Neilson, the leading woman, making her first appearance at that theatre, and Albert Morrison, back again as leading man, as well as many others in the company got big receptions with many floral gifts. Among the new members Henry W. Rowell, Daniel Reed, and Amelia Harlow made good impressions. The play was well staged by Colin Campbell, but the last act was too dark.

The Village Postmaster was well played at the Academy last week by George Klimt's Players, and Manager Frank Gazzola had the pleasure of entertaining delighted housefuls all week. The immense enthusiasm indicated no regrets for the late deceased melodrama of *Hastings Street* at this house. The performance was very well given and the cast evenly balanced. John Lane Harper, who is being starred, was most satisfactory as the inventor. John Harper, Guy Coombes gave an excellent portrayal of the villain. The other members of the cast were most acceptable. Margaret Neville, May Randolph, and Mary Enos deserving particular commendation. Miss Enos as the ingenue had little to do until the last act, when during the one situation given her she showed herself capable of more important and serious roles. Next week, *A Child of the Regiment*, one of Blaney's plays, will be given, with Carrie Dalton especially engaged for the leading role.

The new Crown Theatre, on the northwest side, for which the attractions are to be furnished by Stow and Havin, will be opened next week, Labor Day, with Johnny and Emma Ray in *King in Casey*. The theatre was open for public inspection this week.

Paul Laffey, orchestra leader, composer and at last accounts theatre manager, is having an exciting time during his first attempt in the managerial world. He secured the *Neenah* Theatre, at Neenah, and left the quietude of artistic life in Chicago to find more excitement in the little city of the big paper mills, where the Winnebago rolls and splashes on Wisconsin's plains or Flats on a windy day. Mr. Laffey decided to adopt the open door policy in both of his theatres, and finding there was no other independent theatre near, Monsignor Oshkosh and other cities, advertised his theatre and attractions in them. He plunged with the Blue Mouse and got a few carloads from abroad. This brought the nearby managers to their feet, and the syndicate forces began to try to make him listen to reason. He sticks to the open door, and his rivals in the town where he has no theatres, but advertises, are making the syndicate offices lively for attractions like The Blue Mouse, The Beauty Spot, and others. They envy his freedom to open the doors of his theatre to any attraction he thinks fit, syndicate or non-syndicate. Mr. Laffey belongs to a race of good fighters and bright men and it is a certainty he likes the present doings.

The tale of *Spice* was popularly played and sung at the National all night, and, as last seen, proved the tenacity of the life of this reputation maker as well as money maker of the pleasant earlier days at the La Salle.

Manager Charles P. Elliott, of the Bush Temple, pursuing his characteristic progressive policy, has under consideration a new play by two Chicagoans, in which a flying machine and its inventor figure prominently. It is called *The Price of Silence*. Another up-to-date play which Mr. Elliott has examined with a view to producing during the season is called *Playing with Fire*. It has a prepossessing young woman physician and surgeon as its central figures.

The bill for the week beginning Sept. 8: Garrick, *Going Some*; Powers, Henrietta Crosman in *Sham*; Grand Opera House, A Gentleman from Mississippi; Colonial, Raymond Hitchcock in *The Man Who Owns Broadway*; McVicker, *The Circus Man*, with Macklyn Arbuckle; Chicago Opera House, *The Climax*; Olympic, *The Queen of the Moulin Rouge*; Illinois, *The Third Degree*; Studebaker, Elsie Janis in *The Fair Co-Ed*; Bush Temple, Zaza; Princess, *The Goddess of Liberty*; College, A Contented Woman; People's, Clothes; Marlowe, *Under Two Flags*; Academy, *A Child of the Regiment* (stick); Bijou, *Money and the Woman*; Crown, *The Raya*; National, *The Time*, the play and the girl; *Globe*, *The King of the Bigamists*.

The new melodrama theatre, the *Globe*, was opened this week with a typical offering, Broadway After Dark. The melodrama patrons do not seem to have gotten used to the new neighborhood yet.

Edward Hume, now a resident of this city, is again receiving compliments of the critics in the course of his Western tour, as principal comedian of *A Knight for a Day*. The reviews indicate he is a successful successor of John Slavin. Grace De Mar is playing opposite.

OTIS COLBURN.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Dustin Farnum and McKee Rankin Well Re-cited—Bills of the Week.

Gottlob and Marx had another attraction in *Cameo Kirby*, which opened Aug. 23. Dustin Farnum and McKee Rankin made musical hits in the portrayal of their characters so much so that they were called upon to make speeches, which they did. Mr. Rankin said that the star was the most generous young man that he had ever met. Mr. Farnum praised his co. May Buckley sustained her character as Adele Randall very creditably. The members in the cast were as follows: Eugene Kirby (commonly known as "Cameo" Kirby); Dustin Farnum; Larkin Bance, McKee Rankin; Tom Randall; Gordon Johnstone; Anatole Veaudry; William H. Carter; Aaron Randall; Burz Caruth; Colonel Moreau; John Harrington; Judy, Pierdell; William Frederic; "The General"; Little Brother of Tom and Adele; Donald Gallaher; Clegg; E. W. Webster; Adele Randall; May Buckley; Anne Pierdell; Rose Shultz; Madame Davant; Mad Hofford; Grace Foultz; Mrs. Lewis; Lloyd; Mammy Lina; Jane Kendric; and a Plantation Negress, Gladys Williams. This play is scheduled to run until 8, and on the following day Blanche Bates will be presented in *The Fighting Hope*. The following are the attractions that have thus far been announced by Gottlob and Marx: *A Gentleman from Mississippi*; *The Third Degree*; *The Traveling Salesman*; *Three Twins*; *The Top of the World*; *The Round Up*; *The Parisian Model*; *The Soul Kiss*. At the Alcazar *The Lion and the Mouse* was presented 23. The piece was very well acted by a capable stock co. which consisted of the following: Eodoxia; Helen Tarborough; Rev. Pontific Odele; George Baldwin; Jane Dore; Anna Schatzkoff; Mrs. R. C. Clark; Miss MacLean; Miss Neashill; Boris Barbascale; Judge Rossmore; Howard Hickman; Ex-Judge Stott; E. L. Benison; Expressman, Andrew Benison; Shirley Rossmore; Evelyn Vaughn; Jefferson Ryder; Augustus Phillips; Hon. Fitzroy Basley; William Garwood; Jortina; Charles Trowbridge; Senator Roberts; A. Burt Wesner; Kate Roberts; Grace Travers; Mrs. John Burkett Ryder; Adele Belgrave; John Burkett Ryder; Will R. Walling; and Maid, Claribel Becker. Evelyn Vaughn was given a very welcome reception. Likewise Will R. Walling, Grace Travers, Adele Belgrave, and Boris Barbascale. The next attraction will be *The Taming of Helen*.

The *Valentines* have John Mason in *The Witching Hour*, and the piece is scheduled to be performed Sunday afternoon.

The *Princess* offered *Jack and the Beanstalk*, which was nicely done, and the cast consisted of the following: Old King Cole, a merry old soul, Jack Martin; Sinbad, the sailor, Budd Ross; Jack, Octavia Brooke; Sir Harry Cunningham; Everilda, thief Allegro Largo, Mr. Messmer; Neverwash, a thick Andante Agitato, Mr. Tobie; Roland, King Cole's first royal page, Miss Phillips; Oliver, King Cole's second royal page, Miss Phillips; Sir Guy Coffin, King Cole's third royal page, Miss Phillips; Sir Stuart; Princess Mary.

"Mary Quite Contrary," Old Stech; Little Miss Muffet, Mary; commanding Jenny; Mother; Old Mother Hubbard; Jack's mother, Martha; Golden; Solanum; Tuberous; Queen Dowager of the Fairies; Bert Phoenix; Old Woman Who Lived in the Shoe; Giant's wife, Lydia Crane; and Giant, Oliver LeNoir. Ferris Hartman will be the next attraction at this house. Kolb and Dill will also be seen here in the near future.

Frank Bacon at the American, did nicely 23-25 in *The Hills of California*, and his engagement will be continued for another week, during which he will produce *The Professor's*. The *Girl from Rector's* is billed for the Garrick 5. The St. Ignatius Collegians will give a performance of *The Folly of Descretion*. It is also rumored that John Court's attractions will continue at the Garrick Theatre until November, after which Gottlob and Marx will have charge of the bookings.

PROVIDENCE.

Improvements at the Various Houses—Charles Evans at the Empire.

The Imperial, now under lease with the J. B. Sparrow Amusement Co., and booked exclusively by Klaw and Erlanger, was opened very auspiciously Aug. 30-4 with *The Merry Widow* as the attraction. The *Merry Widow* has been fluttering around Providence for some three seasons past, but until now has never alighted. A house of small proportions, although very appreciative, greeted the first performance. Hazel Wilbur and Charles Meakin are seen in the leading roles. Both sing in excellent voice and dance well. The balance of the co. is very well cast and the production elaborately staged. The theatre itself presented a very pleasing effect. The house has been redecorated and new furnishings have replaced the old. The stage also has come in for its share and some 8 feet has been added to the width. This will enable the management to book the largest scenic productions on the road and stage them properly. Via Wireless 6-11.

With a large cast *The Right of Way* was seen at the Empire 30-4 for the initial performance of the Winter season. The co. is in every way a capable one and, headed by Hallett Thompson, gave an excellent presentation.

Of the balance of the cast, P. Aug. Anderson, Aileen Hackett, and Eli Markswork contributed fine work. Managers Spitz and Nathanson have done themselves proud this season in the matter of renovating the theatre. The success attained is highly gratifying and the house as it stands to-day looks better than ever before in its history. The Empire wreath is also very much in evidence and is painted in gold in various portions of the house. The stage has also been somewhat enlarged and placed in the best of condition along with the house proper. Just Off College 6-11.

Following the usual custom of selecting a company for the closing week of the stock season, the Albee Stock co. was new laurels in A Farce Match at Keith's 30-4. Charles E. Evans, who made the role of the old boy agent famous, was especially engrossed and made a decided hit. As Old Boss, Berton Churchill contributed the role of the eccentric tramp and along with Agnes Scott as Innocent Kidd scored heavily. Of the balance of the cast, Helen Reimer and Messrs. Hawley, Sullivan, and Staley make the most of their opportunities.

Vanderbilt to run indefinitely, starting 6. Edward Hume, now a resident of this city, is again receiving compliments of the critics in the course of his Western tour, as principal comedian of *A Knight for a Day*. The reviews indicate he is a successful successor of John Slavin. Grace De Mar is playing opposite.

HOWARD F. HYLAND.

LOS ANGELES.

Dustin Farnum and McKee Rankin Well Re-cited—Bills of the Week.

The *Belasco* scored a success with *Pierre of the Plains* Aug. 23-25, with Richard Bennett cast delightfully as Pierre and faithfully portraying the character. The play was given handsome stage settings, and although somewhat of a drag was noticeable in the first two acts, there was enough of excitement during the other acts to more than offset. Mr. Lewis was the perfect embodiment of the frontiersman, and Miss Holmes delightfully heroized the role of Jen; Adele Farrington acted the real squaw to Mr. Spear's hardy brave; Charles Huggles and Dick Vivian gave splendid account of themselves, as did the balance of the co. Next week *The Way of the World* will be the bill, and in this play the new leading lady Thais Magrane, who succeeds Miss Holmes, will make her first appearance with the co. Miss Holmes goes west with the *W.M.* under the management of Lillian and Co.

The *Climax* is in its second week at the Mason Opera House, playing to small business only. Paid in Full, which was so well received last season, is to be at this house 30-4. Walter Hoff Society announces that within eight months this city will have another new house, to be under his booking and the management of William Morris. A site will soon be selected and the local house will be one in a chain extending from East to West wherein vaudeville of the very highest will find a home. Negotiations are now being made for a temporary home until the completion of the new theatre.

The *Moralis* of Marcus was presented at the Burbank 23-25, with A. Byron Beasley in the title-role. The play was but recently given here by Marie Doro, and notwithstanding that fact attendance for the week was good. Miss Beasley gave very fine interpretation of the part of Mr. Marcus Ordway, and won much commendation for his efforts; Miss Hall gave a striking enactment of the role of Carlotta, and Harry Meisterer well conceived the villainous Pasquale. The spirit of earnestness by the co. stamped the play a success.

Lewis Morrison has resigned from the Belasco co. and will travel Eastward. Beatrice Noyes, who has been with this co. for the past year, leaves the coming week for New York, where she will in all probability join Polly of the Circus.

The Shuberts, who have taken a ten years' lease on the Auditorium, the largest and most beautiful house in the city, opened the Fall season 30 with *Going Some*. Len Behrman has the local management and he informs us that all attractions will run for two weeks.

George Clayton, the popular and agreeable treasurer of the Belasco Theatre, and Percy Bronson, late of the Kolb and Dill co., are off to the mountains for a couple of weeks' vacation, during which they will make the big hunt for deer.

The *King of Tramps* was the big sensation in the way of melodrama, playing at the Grand 23-25. Lillian Hayward, once of the Ulrich co., has been engaged to play *Lady Isabel* in the big revival of *East Lynne*, which will be the bill for next week.

Kolb and Dill will open the Fall season at the Majestic 5, playing an extended engagement in their latest New York acquisition.

DON W. CARLTON.

INDIANAPOLIS.

Some Old Favorites Appear in the Opening Attractions—Many Visitors for Fair Week.

English's opened the season with Al. G. Field's *Minstrels*, matinee and night, which for eight or ten years has been the regular opening attraction. Victor Moore in *The Talk of New York* is the State Fair week booking 6-11, with two matinees besides a special one Labor Day.

Bessie Poynter in her farewell tour of Loma Rivers played a highly successful engagement at the Park Aug. 26-29, opening to packed houses. St. Elmo, with Martin Alspach and Billie Williams in the leading parts, supported by a well balanced cast, opened to two large well pleased audiences 30-1. *The Passing Show*, which was booked to follow 34-5, has not proved a success and was canceled, and instead *One-act 999* will fill the time. Superba will be the Fair week attraction 6-11.

The season of the Foreign Stock co. at the Majestic will begin with the holiday matinee Labor Day 6, with *The Cradle*. Among the old favorites to return are: George Arvin, leading man; Lucille Spinney, leading woman; J. Francis Kirke, stage director; Harry P. Codd, Ainsworth Arnold, and Fay Baker. The newcomers will be Valerie Valaire, May Louise Aigen, Harry Stanford, Charles N. Lom, Carroll Barrymore, Carl Cook, and Leslie Morrison. The first rehearsal of the newly organized co. was held 30.

Concerts in the Coliseum at the Fair grounds, given by Natiello's Band, will be one of the features of the State Fair 6-11, when thousands of visitors from all over the State are expected here.

B. J. Reilly, manager of the Majestic, arrived in the city 23, after spending the summer in New York.

PEARL KIRKWOOD.

MINNEAPOLIS.

Ground Broken for the Garrick—A Prosperous Season is Expected Here.

The Metropolitan season opened Aug. 23 with *Chancy*, Olcott in his last season's success, *Ragged Robins*. The Ferris Stock co. closed its season on 28 and it is not expected that Dick Ferris or Florence Stone will be seen here again, as this was announced as their farewell season. Olcott's support is certain and the star was welcomed by a large following. Next week *The Three Twins*, with Victor Morley and Eddie Clifford.

The Shubert season at the Lyric was opened last week with *The Blue Mouse*, which drew good houses. Corinne in *Miles*, Mischievous is the current attraction, and the jolly comedians are proving a good drawing card. The star brass ground for the new Shubert theatre, which is to be called the Garrick, on 30. Jeff de Angelis in *The Beauty Spot* is to follow, after which Eddie Foy is promised.

The Princess Theatre season is to open 23 with the James Neill Stock co. Both Mr. and Mrs. Neill (Edythe Chapman) are local favorites and a prosperous season is expected. The Bijou opens 8 with *In Old Kentucky*. Mildred Johnson is the new Madge. Babes in Toyland will follow.

CARLTON W. MILES.

NEWS FROM BOSTON

The Season Fully Opened—Robert Edeson—The Round Up—Louis Mann—The Gay Hussars—Other Attractions—Notes.

BOSTON, Sept. 4.—All the houses in Boston will be open for the new dramatic season for Labor Day will see a big rush, six more coming into line with combinations for the satisfaction of those who are now hurrying home from vacations. The vacation period was not so strenuous as it might have been, and if the managers had not been frightened by a few hot days in June they would have made considerably more money. But they were frightened and closed up their doors, and it left a few—very few—to gather in what money there was floating about town this summer. The opening in several cases was delayed beyond the close of August, which was usually seen several more houses than was the case this year. Almost without exception the advance sale has been large, so that the opening week will bring prosperity all around.

Robert Edeson will be back in Boston again, and at the Hollis, where he has played all his most important engagements in recent years. The Noble Spaniard shows him as a Mauglen star, and Gertrude Coghlan is his leading woman.

The Round Up will be a familiar attraction at the Colonial, opening it for the season, for this has proved one of Kilaw and Erlanger's greatest successes at that house. It has never known a vacant seat in Boston in its two seasons, and its fortunes here will be on the same lines.

Holiday Holmes will be the sheriff of Boston. Mann will be at a new house so far as he is concerned, and at the Tremont he will open with *The Man Who Stood Still* for a fortnight, coming under the management of William A. Brady for his first Boston engagement.

The Gay Hussars will have its local engagement beginning at the Boston on Monday, for this production by Henry W. Savage has been twisted about here. It was to have come to the Tremont earlier in the summer, but emergencies took it to New York, and now the injunction keeping out *Three Twins* brings it to the Boston.

Sam Bernard will be the opening attraction at the Majestic, coming there with *The Girl and the Wizard*, which is the latest title for the much changed musical comedy in which he is to star this season under the management of the Shuberts.

A somewhat similar title is *The Girl and the Detective*, which is the Blaney thriller at the Grand Opera House, with Florence Elliott as the star.

The Globe will give up its successful policy of moving pictures and vaudeville and go back to combinations next week. The first attraction in the list will be Ward and Vokes, always favorites at this house, who will return in The Professor.

John Craig and his stock company at the Castle Square will make their first change of bill next week, presenting *Glittering Gloria* in its comedy form, without any chorus and music. The new year for the stock company has opened in most auspicious fashion, and it looked exactly like a happy family party to see the greeting which the big audience had for all the favorites in the company.

Kegan's Pal has opened the new season at the Park in a lively fashion, and the audiences there have been large in the extreme and enthusiastic over this new play by Paul Wilcock, which has succeeded to present Emmett Corcoran. In the new capacity of a star here. The work is a novelty in its development of the problem of a lawyer's wife and the construction and character drawing are fine indeed. Mr. Corcoran has never been seen here to better advantage, and he has fine support, especially in Harry Harvard, John Butler and Hattie Russell.

Lansdale Morrison's Stock company will finish their successful summer season at the Orpheum with a couple of performances of *Quincy Adams Sawyer* on the holiday and then finishing with *Love's Labour* for the remainder of the engagement. Then the house will go back to vaudeville again.

Hearts of the Hills Ridge will be the play for the stock company at the Bowdoin Square, which knows no such thing as a vacation, and which continues with large audiences all the year around. This house, in particular, has experienced the effect of having so many of the other theatres closed.

Lyman H. Howe will make a complete change of pictures for the opening of the fourth week of his stay at Tremont Temple.

September 20 promises to be an especially lively date, and practically every house in the city will make a change of bill on that evening, the laying out of *Opera Place* has started quite a tangent, and City Hall is all stirred up about it. Mayor Hubbard has returned the order to the Street Commissioners providing for laying out this street besides the new opera house. He thinks that better terms can be secured for the land than \$18,500, but the Street Commissioners think that the arrangement is equitable in every way. It would certainly look so, for Eben D. Jordan has set a price of \$12.12 a foot for the land needed, which is assessed for \$2.40, while property in the vicinity goes for \$4 a foot. The betting is very positive that the Mayor will let it go the way that it is wanted after a time, and some hint that it is merely a grandstand play to the Finance Commission, which is looking pretty sharply after him. Francis H. Bangs, the alderman, has been appointed as a real estate expert to investigate, and the Mayor will act on his advice.

Mr. Hubbard, by the way, is going to keep his eye out on the thrillers and censor the bill boards for melodrama. He is following the example of Peterson, N. J., and is going to keep out crime pictures as well as burlesques. He succeeded in keeping *Salome* and *The Queen of the Moulin Rouge* away from Boston, and his prospects in this respect look good.

H. Price Webber has taken his Boston company to Richmond, Maine, where his thirtieth season will open. This is a favorite starting place for him, and with new plays he will go to the provinces and back. He has a thoroughly reorganized company to support Edwina Grey as leading woman.

Lily Cartwheel, who has been spending the summer at her home in this city, has gone to Greenwich, N. Y., to rehearse with Uncle Dave Holcomb, of which William Lawrence is star. Her season opens at Schenectady.

John Thomas of *The Merry Widow*, and his family have closed their summer vacation at their camp-house, Fresh Water Cove, Gloucester.

M. Douglas Flattery, who was the author of *Anna Laurie*, recently produced at the Orpheum, and also of *Faith Mother*, has just been appointed receiver of the National Fruit Products Company, with liabilities of \$90,000, but greater assets.

Ralph L. Flanders, the general manager of the Boston Opera House, has returned from his vacation in the woods of Maine, with wife and children, at Pleasant Lake Camp, near Carroll.

JAY BENTON.

ST. LOUIS.
A New Play, *Jenny*—Delmar Closes—Attractions Bookings Promised for New Season.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 4.—In a "first time on any stage" production of *Jenny*, a new play by Alphonse Bourassa, the creation of Hjalmer Björnson, the Norwegian novelist. Countess Venturi at Suburban revealed to the full the artistic power and the fire of which her two weeks of *Camille* and *Frou-Frou* have given somewhat imperfect assurance. The Countess has never failed to reach her audience in her big scenes; her only difficulty arose in her un-American conception of established roles. Does it then argue well for our unfailing truth and severeness in creative or appreciative work that Venturi should, after appearing in not wholly satisfying portrayals of *Camille* and *Frou-Frou*, so sweep her audience before her creation of *Jenny*? Or does it but prove that, like children, we like the story as it is told? The story of *Jenny* runs thus: Dr. Bright, a very ordinary man, after a courtship filled with dreams of a future fashionable practice and its corresponding social place, married Jenny, a beautiful childlike idealist, who lives in a world of tall cavaliers and beautiful scenes and murmured words. But the fashionable practice does not come and Jenny's parents-in-law are un sympathetic. The Marquis of Lorme, an old roué, tempts the dreamy Jenny with the fulfillment of her dreams, but is repulsed. His nephew, the handsome young Hon. Evelyn Farquhar, at their second meeting persuades Jenny to elope. Making her preparations before her family and declaring her intentions, Jenny awaits her lover's arrival. It comes, "I can't get the money,"—think of the world!—"my future." Hon. desert's Jenny and for the first time, understanding of her comes to her cold husband. The complete surrender of Jenny to the handsome Farquhar brought forth the splendid sincerity and emotional vividness of Countess Venturi as they have seldom been seen. The play itself holds many false touches and a weak last act. But with a little rehearsing, the elements for a good play are there. The Suburban support was competent. Frances Nielsen made an excellent village gossip. George S. Spencer, though ill cast, was fairly good as Dr. Bright. King Baggot did well as Hon. Evelyn Farquhar. Wilson Fenwick as the Marquis of Lorme, Angus McCaul as Julie, and Ethel Valentine as Diana completed the cast.

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newspaper man, Spanish-American war veteran and press agent for the Suburban management. This affair will be under the auspices and for the benefit of the Grand Leader Benevolent Association.

The Garrick Theatre opens Sept. 5, with Bert A. Williams, "the big fellow," of Williams and Walker, in Mr. Lode of *Kool*. The Garrick has been renovated, the walls receiving a light tint of lake red and the boxes new decorative features. Manager Fishel retains his old staff.

Jeff De Angelis in *The Beauty Spot*, Charles Cherry in *The Bachelor*, Blanche Ring in *The Yankee Girl*, Marguerite Clark in *The Young Guardsman*, and Sothern and Marlowe are some of the bookings for the Garrick season.

The Century and Olympic, under management of Pat Short, open Sept. 5, the Century with *The Golden Girl*, to be followed by Henry E. Dixey in *Mary Jane's Pa*, *The Man in the Hour*, and Al. H. Wilson in *Mets in Ireland*; the H. H. Wilson in *With the Merry Widow* with Oscar F. Nixon and Francis Cameron, followed by *The Prince of the Night*, *The Traveling Salesman*, and Paid in *Paid*.

During the week of Sept. 5, the Delmar Garden Theatre will be given up to a feature entertainment given by the Knights of Columbus, in which their Choral Club will be assisted by Frank Moulan, Ann Tasker and others of the Delmar Musical Stock company. Big vaudeville acts, exceptionally novel and clever, will be sent by William Morris.

Tenor Carl Hayden, of Delmar Garden, resigned Aug. 25, to take up his Winter work. He will sing in support of Grace Van Studdiford this season in *A Golden Butterfly*.

FREDERICK L. DOYLE.

CINCINNATI.
Cooler Weather Improves Business—Numerous Attractive Openings.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 4.—Cooler weather this week made what was really the opening week of the season, a much more successful one than usual.

The Climax has won universal praise at the Climax this week, and will be followed by tomorrow night by J. E. Dodson in *The House Next Door*, which comes direct from its New York engagement. This will be Mr. Dodson's first appearance in this city for many years, and his engagement is looked forward to with keen anticipation.

Other September bookings at this theatre are: *Cohan and Harris' Minstrels*, *Henry E. Dixey in Mary Jane's Pa*, and *Paid in Full*.

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Considerable surprise was occasioned this week by the announcement that Manager Harry Rainforth has disposed of his interest in the Grand Opera House to his partner, John H. Haylin. For the time being at least, Mr. Haylin will give his personal attention to the management of the house. Mr. Rainforth had been connected with the Grand for more than twenty years, and retires to take a well-earned rest. It is probable he will make his future home in New York city, in order to be near his son, who is established there in the practice of medicine.

The Forepaugh Stock company begins its new season to-morrow with *The Warrens of Virginia*. The season's advance sale is the largest in the history of the house.

The Holden Stock company will also begin its season at the Lyceum with *The Angel and the Devil*.

Convict 999 begins a week's engagement to-morrow at *Heuck's*.

The Walnut will have in Panama, with Adams and Guhlis, and Cydle Brennan in the leading role.

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The Newark Theatre, under the same management as last year, with *Paid in Full* in *Paid in Full*, and followed by *Joe Weber's Merry Widow* and *The Devil*.

A real thriller at the Columbia Theatre Aug. 30. *The River Pirates*, a competent cast, with Carl T. Jackson, George F. Whittaker, Edith Bellows, Mabel Vann, Edith Gray, Tracy Gray, and Walter Richardson.

The Newark Theatre is celebrating a "birthday" week, and it enters upon its third year of prosperity under the direction of Leon O. Mumford, its sole lessor and manager. A fine programme is offered, including *Mona Mason*, *Charles and Louis Levy*, *Will F. Allen*.

The Tiger Lillies gave a rather spicy performance at the Empire Theatre 30. Among the cast who merit special mention are: *Sam Mann*, *Al. Patterson*, *Billy Spencer*, *Mae E. Hadley*, and *Z*

IN PHILADELPHIA THEATRES

All Ready for the Winter—Houses Redecorated and Made Fresh—Openings Labor Day—What Was Done During the Week—A Minstrel Fiasco.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 4.—An air of activity such as has not been witnessed since the close of last season is in evidence at and around the different theatres, especially those which have not as yet opened for 1909-10, but which will do so before this issue of *The Mirror* reaches its readers. Painters, decorators and cleaners are busily at work, putting on the finishing touches to the annual house cleaning. No extensive improvements are under way—simply a general brightening up. An exception is the Ninth and Arch Street Dime Museum, which has undergone a general overhauling, with important changes in its interior arrangement. It has the appearance, in fact, of a new place of amusement, and such changes as have been made have been with a view of improving public convenience.

The streets of the city also show that a new theatrical season is about to be inaugurated. On every hand are announcements of attractions for the coming week. Billboards that a week ago were blank are now covered with glaring posters, representing scenes from the plays to be produced, and shop windows, with lithographs, gaudy yet artistic, tell the story of another theatrical season's opening—a story that is told about this time every year, and it is the same old story, differing in no way from its predecessor, managerial promises of great things and public expectancy. Here's to hoping that promises will be kept—expectancies realized.

To-night will witness the opening of the first of the leading theatres, the Adelphi, which will present *Wilton Lackaye* in *The Battle*. On Monday next four other first class houses will

open, the Broad with *The Climax*, the Lyric with *The Chocolate Soldier*, the Chestnut Street Opera House with *The Master Key*, and the Walnut with *The Girl from Rector's*, plays all new to Philadelphia.

The opening of the Grand Opera House last Monday was a disappointment, but it was not due to any fault of the theatre's management. Eddie Leonard's *Minstrels* was booked to appear, but Eddie and some others of the company failed to put in an appearance. The company has since been advertised as the George Thatcher Minstrels. The week's business has not been profitable. The cause of Leonard's absence is not clearly known. Jealousy is hinted at; also his disregard of his contract, but there is another side to the story, and I suppose Eddie will be heard from later on. The attraction for the coming week is Cole and Johnson.

In Dreamland, with *Emmet Devoy* in the leading role, opened the season last Monday at the Girard Avenue Theatre. The house was well filled and business has been good all week.

The Orpheum Players give Mrs. Temple's Tele-

gram for their week's bill. Leah Wilson, John Cassidy, Carson Davenport, and Charles Balsam had the most prominent roles and naturally they played them well.

At the National *The Gambler of the West* is the melodrama of the week.

Lymon Howe's war pictures at the Garrick drew large audiences all the week. This is the beginning of Mr. Howe's fourth month at the Garrick, giving his entertainment the longest run for an attraction of this class in any theatre in the city.

JAMES D. SLADE.

PITTSBURGH.

Duquesne for Stock—Via Wireless—Marcello—Other Plays.

PIERRESON, Sept. 4.—At last the veil of secrecy, which has shrouded the policy of the Duquesne, has been removed by the announcement on last Wednesday that Harry Davis had leased it, and would install a dramatic stock company therein. Mr. Davis left the city on Tuesday night to secure his people, and intends to inaugurate the season on the 20th. The playhouse is being entirely transformed and promises to be very comfortable and promising.

All of the theatres opened on last Monday night with good sized attendance, but the opening of the Pittsburgh Exposition did not materially affect their business since.

There were between fifteen and twenty thousand persons in attendance at the opening of the Exposition on Wednesday night, which broke all former records of the past twenty years of its career. The Russian Symphony Orchestra, modest Altschier, director, has been delighting its multitude of hearers; the spectacular battle of the "Monitor" and "Merrimac" is a strong feature, and the numerous other attractions add much to the successful enterprise.

Via Wireless, at the Nixon, proved to be a fairly good melodrama, and seemed to please. Joseph Kaufman as James Harling, the wireless operator, played his strenuous role admirably. William B. Jack did a consummate piece of acting in his character of Marsh. Mabel Star was very charming as France. Duran, the Music O'Brien of Georgia, Drew Mendum was thoroughly enjoyable, and the other members of the large cast were capable. The ship scene of the third act was quite realistic and commendable; but the other large scene—the furnace room of the steel works—did not come up to the expectations of Pittsburghers, who are able critics of such scenes.

Marcello, at the Alvin, was a light and entertaining musical piece, of which the axis was Louise Gunning, who was winsome, and her vocal selections were rendered delightfully. Jess Dandy as the Baron was very comical, and the balance of the cast was adequate.

The coming week at our two foremost playhouses, the Nixon and the Alvin, it will be minstrels versus minstrels. Cohen will be at the former, while Lew Dockstader's aggregation will be at the latter house. Both are widely heralded, and it is expected that each will try to outdo the other in every way, especially by their street parades on Monday morning, when they might conflict in the narrow confines of the business centre.

The Lyceum, formerly the Bijou, is all ready for its opening on Monday afternoon, and this capacious theatre will surprise its visitors by the complete transformation of its interior. Manager Guile is fortunate in securing James Dandy for his troupe, as he is a man most competent in popular among the popular price patrons. Girl ushers will be a novelty, and will be the first time the experiment has been tried in this city. Schooldays is the opening attraction.

The New Kenyon Theatre will also enter into the field on next Monday, with first class vaudeville booked by William Morris, Inc., and under the management of the Mittenthal Bros.

Blaney's Empire is to be the home of most of the cheap melodramas of the kind which were booked at the Bijou last season, although some unusual shows are promised to intersperse them. The *Civilians' Revenge* started the season on last Monday with a good attendance, and *The Gambler of the West* will bid for favor next week.

The Rents-Santley company will be at the Gayety the coming week, and the *Follies* of the Day at Harry Williams' Academy.

ALBERT S. L. HEWES.

NEW ORLEANS.

Olive Groves Makes Her Appearance at the Lyric—Three Houses Yet to Open.

The theatrical season may now be said to be in full blast and with the exception of the Tulane, Crescent, and French Opera House, not yet open, all the playhouses are drawing large audiences, notwithstanding the continued warm weather.

The Edna May Spooner Stock co., at Blaney's Lyric Theatre, began its second week 20 with *The Three of Us* as the offering. The co. again acquitted itself with distinction. Edna May Spooner and Frank H. La Rue played the leads

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offerings during the evening. Wilbur Kirby is the new leading man and Louise Carter the leading woman, both appearing to good advantage. Others who had parts were Clarence Oliver, Mayme Williams, John J. McCabe, Mary Milburn, Marie Hudson, Frank Denning, Blanche McKeown, Erville Alderson, Jack Montague, Lillian Alspach and Anna Foster, all of whom pleased. The play was attractively staged. *The Adventures of Lady Ursula* 5-11. D. KEEZY CAMPBELL.

WASHINGTON.

A New Barney Gilmore Play—New Decision Regarding Theatres—Notes.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—Barney Gilmore commences his engagement at the Academy of Music next Monday, presenting his new play, *Dublin Dan*, the Irish Detective, opening with a Labor Day matinee. The following attractions appear in succession at this house: Sept. 13, *The Convict's Daughter*; Sept. 20, *The River Pirates*; Sept. 27, *My Pardner's Girl*; Oct. 4, William H. Turner.

A decision was made last week by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, that all buildings occupied by moving picture shows will be governed hereafter by the same rules and regulations as now apply to the legitimate theatres of the district. The Commissioners state that, in view of the very large increase in the number of these places, as well as the fact that many of them have developed into miniature theatres with vaudeville performances, makes it necessary to apply to them the same regulations framed for theatres. The Commissioners will also consider during the coming Autumn the proposition of compelling all managers of picture houses to use only fireproof films in their moving picture machines, to better safeguard the thousands of patrons and to place the places of amusement on a footing with those of some of the large cities of the country in the matter of precautions against fire.

In the condemnation proceedings to acquire certain parcels of ground for use by the Government in pursuance of the bill passed by Congress for the erection of Government buildings.

Parcel No. 1, comprising what is known as the Chase Theatre property, owned by the Grand Opera House Company, was appraised at \$271,000, a low figure, it is thought.

Hammond's Manhattan Grand Opera company will present a week of grand opera in November at the New National Theatre, under the local direction of Mrs. Katie Wilson-Greene.

The following notice appeared in all of the Washington papers Monday of this week: In memoriam, Mansfield—Richard Mansfield, who died Aug. 30, 1907:

"Far off thou art, but ever near;
I have thee still, and I rejoice;
I proper, circled with thy voice;
I shall not lose thee, tho' I die."

It is stated that Al. H. Wilson, the German singing comedian, who will open the season at the Columbia Theatre Sept. 13 in *Mets* in Ireland, has been booked for a tour of the Pacific Coast and Australia at the close of the forthcoming season, when he will present his successful play *When Old New York Was Young*.

Luna Park has entered upon the final week of its 1909 season. Richard L. Weaver's American Regimental Band continues the big feature. Treasurer Charles J. Harris, of the Belasco Theatre, is seriously ill at George Washington University Hospital, being threatened with an attack of typhoid fever.

Manager Ned Stein, of the Masonic Temple Auditorium, will present Moore's motion pictures and vaudeville for a season commencing Sept. 13.

JOHN T. WARDE.

BALTIMORE.

Al H. Wilson—Howe's Pictures—Wanted by the Police—Notes.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 4.—Al. H. Wilson, the German dialect comedian, will open the regular season at Ford's on Monday, with a special matinee, when he will appear in his new play, *Mets* in Ireland. Mr. Wilson will introduce a number of new songs and his company is said to be a superior one.

The season of Lyman H. Howe's moving pic-

tures at Ford's, extending over several weeks, which closed this evening, has been a phenomenally successful one from every standpoint. The pictures were of a high order of merit, and the public evidenced its appreciation by crowding the Opera House at every exhibition.

Wanted by the Police is the title of the sensational play which will be produced at the Holliday Street.

The New Century Girls will appear at the Monumental and The College Girls will be seen at the Gentry.

There will be a change in the vaudeville bill at the Academy of Music.

Owing to the cool weather, all of the theatres now open have done very well this week.

HAROLD RUTLEDGE.

DETROIT.

Large Advance Sale for Eddie Foy—Interesting Bills at all the Houses.

Labor Day 6 will mark an interesting epoch in Detroit theatrical history—the opening of the new Garrick Theatre under the Shubert's management, presenting first class attractions. Competition in any line is healthful, and as Detroit has long been known as a one house town, it is not unlikely that there will be happy rivalry. Eddie Foy in *Mr. Hamlet* of Broadway, is underlined as the opening attraction and the advance sale of seats has been large.

At the Detroit Opera House 30-4 Paid in Full was revived. Next week B. C. Whitney's production of *A Knight for a Day*, with Frank Deshon and Hilda Thomas in the cast, will be the attraction.

A Girl at the Helm, featuring Billy Clifford, drew fair houses to the Lyceum Theatre 30-4. Next week, Checkers.

The Cowboy and the Girl, a J. Wendell Davis musical piece, was the week's melodramatic attraction at the Whitney Theatre and drew good houses. Next week, *Sal*, the Orens Girl, at the Gentry Theatre 30-4. Manager Ward offered as an attraction the Bon Ton Burlesque, a well dressed, well drilled and happily vivified. An interesting olio was considerably strengthened by that little sympathetic classic of burlesque, *Jessie Kids*, presented by Dawson and Clark. Next week, The Bowery Burlesques.

Boasting a big singing chorus, the Moulin Rouge Burlesques made a decided hit at the Avenue Theatre 30-4. The olio numbers were carried off by Oscar Kaufman and Victoria Dawselle in a singing and violin act. Next week, Morning, Noon and Night.

ELVY A. MARONI.

OMAHA.

Opening Attractions Well Received—Flora Dorst Made a Hit.

The regular season at Bord's Theatre was opened by the musical play, *The Alaskan*, Aug. 31. This bright little comedy was seen here last year, but has been much improved during the Summer intermission, and it met with a most enthusiastic reception. Many of the musical numbers were encored again and again. Billie Burke 7, 8.

Granstar was the offering at the Krug 26-28. The leading members of the co. acquitted themselves well, and, on the whole, a good impression was made. Pinky, the Pinocchio Girl, 26-31, opened to a fair sized house. Flora Dorst, in the title-role, was popular. The Monarchs Limited 2-4, to be followed by Dare Devil Dan.

At the Burwood Dr. Curtis, the hypnotist, exhibited his skill to a series of fair sized audiences week of 29. The regular season at the Burwood, which is now controlled by the Shuberts, will open 12, and The Beauty Spot has been selected for that auspicious occasion. Innes' Band, which was booked for the Bord 28, was canceled.

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SEATTLE.

Eleanor Burrell as Pamela Gordon PLEASED—John Mason at the Alhambra.

Frederick Thomson's delightful production, *Polly of the Circus*, closed its successful run of two weeks at the Moore Aug. 28. A Gentleman from Mississippi 29-4.

At the Alhambra John Mason in *The Witching Hour* 29, terminated a three weeks' engagement with eclat. The next attraction was *Giris 27-11*, which opened to a medium house. It was presented in a lively and spirited manner, which elicited liberal applause. Eleanor Burrell as *Pamela Gordon* interpreted the character with skill and accuracy. William Hayward Chafe as *Edgar W. Holt* made the most of the part, and the other members of the cast showed their cleverness and ability to the best advantage.

Ferris Hartman and his excellent co. at the Grand gave as their farewell offering a fine presentation of *The Toybox* 22-26 and 28, which drew large houses. Mr. Hartman was seen at his best in the title-role, and investing the part with infinite Muggins. Davison made a dainty and acceptable *Ella*. Walter De Leon as *Frederick* gave a faithful delineation of the part. Josie Miser, Elvira Rand, Oscar Walsh, Walter Cattell, and other talent appeared in the cast. This co. during its Summer engagement has given a series of first-class performances, and its popularity will insure a cordial welcome on its next visit. *Ketchel-Papke* Fighting pictures 29-1.

At the Seattle the attraction was *Emma Bunting in The Girl of Eagle Ranch*, which drew large audiences. Miss Bunting displayed her usual skill and cleverness. Willis Hall as leading man gave a faithful portrayal of the character, while Roy Sutherland was convincing in the heavy role. In the cast were *Janet Louisa*, *Cora Wells*, *St. Condit*, and others who rendered good support. *Lena Rivers* 29.

A wrestling match between *Henry Ordegan*, of Minneapolis, and *Charles Olson*, at the Girard, resulted in victory for the former.

The new Majestic opened 20 under the management of *Sullivan* and *Conisidine*.

The Music Hall, erected by the Washington Amusement Association at the corner of Fourth and Seneca, has been put to little use since its completion about June 1. The co. is now in the hands of a receiver.

Annie Besant delivered two interesting lectures 22, 23 on theosophical subjects, which drew a good attendance.

The attendance at the Exposition since the opening shows a daily average of 26,000, and this rate is increasing. Seattle Day, 6, promises to be an attractive event. A large number of tickets have been sold, and the attendance will probably rival that of opening day.

BENJAMIN F. MESSERVEY.

PORTLAND, ORE.

Tabernacle Choir Concert Was a Success—The Hallelujah to Be Rechristened.

A company of capable actors presented *The Girl from Hector's* at the Bungalow week of Aug. 22. One regrets to see talent put to such use. The stage settings represent a considerable investment. Business was good. The International Grand Opera co. opened 29.

The Salt Lake Tabernacle Choir gave a concert at the Baker Theatre 24. Every seat in the house was taken and scores turned away. Horace S. Ensign is the most popular singer in the co. His baritone solo, Herbert's "Gypsy Sweetheart," was one of the most appreciated numbers of the evening. Other singers who received the large audience were the Misses Emily Larson, Lettie Owen, Mrs. Julia J. Schrader and Emma J. Saunders, and the male quartet composed of J. M. Menken, Louis Ramsey, W. Robinson and J. H. Richardson. Ohio Male Chorus 31.

The second week of the engagement of the Athos Stock co. at the Lyric opened 22 with a well produced performance of *The Plunger*. A special feature of the play as presented at the Lyric is the spectacular scenic effects which are probably the best ever seen at that theatre. The members of the co., particularly Sydney Payne, in the leading map; Priscilla Knowles and *John* of Athos, appeared to excellent advantage.

The Shuberts and Russell and Drew as the Alhambra Theatre co. have leased the Hellish and Star theatres of Portland. The owners are to begin an extensive remodeling of the Hellish and the name will be changed to the Portland Theatre.

Leticia Jewel leaves soon for New York to join Otto Skinner, with whom she will play the leading feminine role in his new play, *Your Humble Servant*, by Booth Tarkington and Harry Leon Wilson, which opens in New York Oct. 2.

An excellent bill was offered at *Pantages* 22-26, consisting of *Will Bradley* and co. in the comic operetta, *The Gipsy Wayfarers*; as the star act; *Derante*, a musical comedian; a dramatic sketch, *Hearts and Trumps*, by Harry Pollard; *Edwin Seavy* and *Marguerite Fischer*, a former Oregon girl; *John Buckley*, dancer; the *Shadow Trio*, strong men; musical sketch, *The Traveling Salesman* and the *Female Drummer*, by *Devine* and *Williams*; song and pictures. JOHN F. LOGAN.

LOUISVILLE.

Description of the New Gayety—Local News of Interest

Al. Field was warmly welcomed when he opened the 1909-10 season at *Macaulay's* 2. The engagement was very successful. With a Labor Day matinee, *Henry Woodruff* in *The Prince of To-night* will be the attraction at this house for the week. Advance sale of seats indicates good business.

Week of Aug. 29-5 opened the season at the Avenue. The offering was *Raymond Paine* and the *Bob Bow Chorus* in *The Candy Kid*. Business good. Next, *Vaughan Glaser* in *St. Elmo*.

The new *Gayety* Theatre, which has had such widespread advertising through the legal complications involving its construction, had a most auspicious opening 30. The place is modern in every particular, beautifully decorated, and the up-to-date advertising arrangements are the perfection of matter-of-fact. The seats are numerous and the place can properly be styled up to date in every particular. The opening attraction was *The Golden Crook*, and large audiences were in attendance, many of the patrons being ladies. Popular Al. Bourlier is the resident manager and has an able corps of assistants. Owner Bynicka attended the opening, accompanied by a large delegation of Cincinnati friends.

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popular old timer, is also on the business staff. Work has already commenced on the new theatre to be built by the Walnut Street Amusement Co. In the Board of Directors are published, appear the names of Joseph Schenck, Albert Bentling, and W. H. Netherland. Localville men, Capitalists of Hamilton, O., are also interested. The place has a fine location and architecturally will be an ornament to the city.

A court note made public announces a suit brought by the Weber Brothers against E. D. Stair and associates, growing out of a former alleged partnership existing in connection with the Masonic and Avenue theatres here. It is understood that the suit will be stubbornly fought.

Among the deaths of the week are those of John Heppé, who had been engaged by the Gayety Theatre, and Douglass Robinson, for many years connected with Daniel Quill at the old Auditorium.

Manager Weed has returned to the city in fine physical condition after a pleasant Summer rest. The opening attraction at his house, the Mary Anderson, Lyman Howe and his pictures, is an exceptionally good one and excellent houses are the rule. CHARLES D. CLARKE.

ST. PAUL.

Three Twins at the Metropolitan and an Old Acquaintance at the Grand.

At the Metropolitan the season opened Aug. 29-4 with *The Three Twins*. Although it played here at two different times last season, it was presented with full business. It has improved in all departments and the co. is much larger than that carried last season. Mr. Morley is just as clever as ever and is able to hold his own with Bessie Clifford. The chorus is especially well costumed and trained. *Chancy Oleott* comes week of 5, which is Fair Week. In the Ragged Robin.

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Beginning Monday, Sept. 13, The Whitney Opera Company in *The Chocolate Soldier*.

with the old standby, *In Old Kentucky*. No material change has been made in the production, but they have gathered a very strong co. this year and, if anything, the pickaninnie band is better than last season. For Fair Week they will present the musical comedy, *Babes in Toyland*.

The Washington Society Girls are drawing satisfactory business at the Star Park of 2d. Week of 5, the Broadway Gaiety Girls.

The work on the new Shubert Theatre is progressing very nicely and the management announces the opening on Jan. 1.

HARRY O. WILLIAMS.

TORONTO.

Victor Moore Is Very Popular Here—The Gay Musician Drew Well.

The stirring strains of the orchestra were heard again at the Royal Alexandra Aug. 29, after an interval of three months, when they ushered in Eddie Foy in his laughable, entertaining musical piece. Mr. Hamlet of Broadway, Foy won great favor in his part, and showed himself to be an impersonator of first rank. The business done for the week argues well for the coming season at the Royal.

The Princess Theatre also opened 29, and presented *The Talk of New York*, return engagement. The fact that this play was chosen as an opening one for the Princess, shows how much it was appreciated last season, and, judging from the reception tendered this time, it has not lost any of its old time popularity. Victor Moore as *Kid Burns* was always in demand, and handed out a good line of popular delight.

Grand Opera House opened its second week with that delightful play, *The Gay Musician*, which, although placing its return engagement, drew record business. The same music which delighted Torontonians last season again quite captured them, and the popular "Love Light" is once more heard in the music stores. C. ERROL IRONSIDE.

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AROUND VARIOUS CIRCUITS

News and Gossip from the Smaller Theatrical Centres— Prosperity Fever Still Rampant—A Promising Season.

The following news embraces many items of interest, and it will be noticed that the season's openings are auspicious. Railroads opening up new fields of theatrical endeavor and industrial changes all tend toward an active season for both the traveling company and the theatre.

Aaron's Associated Theatres.

E. M. Vine, of Ashtabula, O., was a caller last week, and reports the outlook to be more promising than in years. The Great Lakes Navigation Company is about to move its shipyards from St. Claire to Ashtabula, so that in a very short time there will be at least 3,000 experienced workmen and their families living in that city, together with those employed by the other industries connected with shipbuilding. This increase in population will be invaluable to theatrical interests there.

The Library Theatre at Warren, Pa., is now under the management of J. G. Woodward and will hereafter be represented by the Aaron's Associated Theatres in New York. The policy in the future will be to play the best possible productions, which will be limited to one a week. Among the bookings so far are *The Servant in the House*, *The Climax*, *Paid in Full*, *A Knight for a Day* and *A Gentleman from Mississippi*.

The opera house at Titusville, Pa., will be represented hereafter in New York by this circuit and will be managed by J. P. Ruppersburg.

Mabel McKinley's starring concert tour will open about Oct. 1 under the management of J. Russell, and will play the principal cities through New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio. The company will include Scarboro, the well-known English tenor; Ulland, baritone; Mathilde Dressler, cellist, and Lebegat, accompanist.

The following productions have been reported on: In the Bishop's Carriage, excellent; Final Settlement, Southern company, good; Northern company, fair; Girl of the Mountains, good.

Nellie McHenry has cancelled her one-night stand bookings and will hereafter play Stair and Havlin's three-night stand time.

The Bostonian company of Pittsburgh is putting out a strong grand opera company to play the three-night stand cities of Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York. Among the stars engaged are Adelaide Thomas, Madame Charlotte Guyer George, Frederick Richards Benson, Edward Shively, Carl Zulauf and Pierre De Dacker.

The Bach Auditorium at Weisboro, Pa., has been entirely remodeled and will open October 8 with *The Servant in the House*.

This circuit will represent the Lyceum Theatre at Ashtabula in connection with Stair and Havlin.

Matt Kursell has secured the Majestic at Rockwood, Ill., and will play one-night stand productions booked through this office.

Owing to business misunderstandings, the Auditorium at Perry, N. Y., will in all probability not open until Oct. 1.

American Theatrical Exchange.

The Santa Fe Railroad has completed the new line between Coleman and Sweetwater and the Oriental Railroad has extended its road so that it is now operative as far as San Angelo. Both extensions tend to open up the small towns in the Texas Panhandle district to theatrical interests.

The Rock Island Railroad is now operating through trains from New Orleans, La., to Houston, Tex. For the past twenty-five years the Southern Railroad was the only means of travel there, and the new move will greatly facilitate theatrical transportation in that direction.

The theatre at Coffeyville, Kan., the new theatre at Joplin, Mo., and the theatre at Sedalia, Mo., are now booking through this exchange. Negotiations are also under way for other houses in Kansas and Missouri.

George Walker, manager of the Hancock Opera House, Austin, Tex., who has been visiting in New York and Chicago, has returned home.

The new managers of the Orange Theatre, Orange, Tex., are Holland and Labet.

The Merchants' Opera House at Corsicana, Tex., is managed by D. A. Kerlin this season.

W. H. Wiggins is the present manager of the theatre at Alva, Okla.

The Alaskan opens the new Durant Opera House at Durant, Okla., on Sept. 22.

There is some talk of a new theatre at San Angelo, Tex.

Columbus, Tex., now boasts of a new theatre.

The theatre at Bryant, Tex., having been destroyed by fire last summer, the management has a new house in the course of construction which should open about December.

Burt's Southern Circuit, Inc.

Alex. Henderson, manager of the Folmar Theatre, Troy, Ala., called at this office the other day and reports the prospect for good business in his territory better than ever.

Included in the long list of attractions booked is the latest big success, *The Climax*.

B. C. Whitney's *A Knight for a Day* and *The Show Girl* companies are booked to play this circuit. Bert St. John, general manager for Mr. Whitney's attractions, announces that Burt's circuit has proved to

be a big advantage for the attractions routed through the South.

N. A. McMillan, manager of the opera house at Andalusia, Ala., called at this office and announces prospects great for the coming theatrical season in his territory.

E. C. Heselden, manager of the opera house at Georgetown, S. C., announces that the plays are under way for a new modern theatre. He also reports that Graustark played there Sept. 3 to capacity.

The Majestic Theatre Company, managers of the Academy of Music, Orangeburg, S. C., have renovated the old playhouse and made it a beautiful, up-to-date amusement palace. The latest report is good business.

Charles A. Burt is arranging a Southern tour of *The Heir to the Hoorah* company.

Bertha Noss, of the celebrated Noss Family, will head a musical company in the musical comedy, *Little Miss Muffet*, and will tour the Southern territory, playing the Kiaw and Erlanger and Charles A. Burt's circuits. Season opens Sept. 14.

Baker and Carpenter announce that the new theatre at Newnan, Ga., will be ready to open about Oct. 1. The opening attraction has not been selected as yet.

There are several opportunities to open new theatres and the season on the Charles A. Burt Southern Theatre Circuit, Inc.

Manager W. F. Mann is delighted with the routes for his attractions over this circuit.

Joseph W. Rankin, manager for Robert Dalton in Chas. T. Vincent's comedy success, *When His Wife's Away*, has booked his attraction over this circuit in connection with Kiaw and Erlanger towns.

The statement given out by Secretary Hester as to the record cotton crop for the past year, reaching 13,825,467 bales, should be of interest to managers playing territory affected by such a satisfying record.

The J. Colemen Circuit.

Eddie Delaney will star in *The College Boy*, having secured from Ralph Riggs' company the rights for Kentucky, Tennessee, Louisiana and Mississippi. He will play the route originally booked by Mr. Riggs for *It's All on the Quiet*.

Bertha Noss, the Girl with the Drum, will be seen in the musical comedy drama, *Little Miss Muffet*, playing through Kentucky in November.

Kasper Weick has disposed of his interest in the Hammond, La., opera house to the owner, T. S. Batszell, who will give it his personal attention next season.

Kentwood, La., is a town that should not be overlooked. The Atherton Theatre is a beauty and the manager, F. D. Woolner, is one of the "widowake" sort.

The Auditorium (skating rink) in Warren, Ark., has been abandoned and the town is without any suitable place for theatrical performances.

Brame and Pugh have leased the opera house in Hamburg, Ark., from S. O. Savage, the former manager.

Chas. a Sellen's big musical success, *The Cat and the Fiddle*, was booked through Louisiana and Mississippi during the past week.

The Wood Sisters are booked through Arkansas and Louisiana in October, November and December.

Contracts for Lionel Lawrence in Forgiven were sent out for Mississippi towns for the month of October.

Becker and Lewis, managers of the opera house at Forrest City, Ark., report excellent prospects for the coming year. Their season will open in October.

Joseph A. Thonet has booked Jack Singer's big musical attraction, *The Passing Review*, over this circuit.

Harry Rowe's *The Blind Organist* and *Out in Idaho* were booked during the past week.

Harry Beresford in *Who's Your Friend?* will begin his tour Sept. 9 on the Southern route.

G. J. Harvey has succeeded D. L. Sudeth as manager of the Natchitoches, La., opera house.

B. Brewster will continue as manager of the Merrymen Theatre at Wynne, Ark.

Harry Scott has without doubt made a "ten strike" this season. Not only has his musical production, *The Girl from the U. S. A.*, proved a big success, but *The Wizard of Wiesland* also. This musical extravaganza is lauded to the skies by the press.

The large chorus of pretty and wholesome-looking girls are creating a furor everywhere. They will tour Kentucky in November.

Sandoz Opera House, Opelousas, La., has been leased by T. E. Price and son, who have made a number of changes in the house. The town has a population of 6,000, the theatre stage is 32 x 32, new scenery and a seating capacity of 650. A new balcony has been added and everything done for the comfort of the members of the companies as well as the patrons.

W. A. Ruseo will be interested in *The Woman of Mystery* company, in which Courtney Morgan will be featured.

Guthrie, Ky., has a new opera house, and it will be managed by Harrison and Blair. This little town is in the heart of the great tobacco belt and money is plentiful through that section just now.

Cohan and Harris' *An American Idea* has

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Other Circuits.

Jake Wells returned to New York last week and is preparing for a busy season reorganizing the theatres he is booking into an active unit, and expects ultimately to accomplish a most satisfactory progress.

The Hels and Ohio circuits find the general tone good, some productions and theatres showing a welcome box office return, while others are meeting with only fair success. Everywhere on the circuit the productions seem to show a better quality than ever before.

The Affiliated Circuits, represented by Don W. Stuart and George Peck in New York, find this same better quality in the productions worthy of comment. Mr. Stuart reports the prosperity boom as having extended to their circuits, but complains of a woful lack of productions playing that time. So far they have quality but not quantity.

PUPILS PLAY THE DEVIL.

A performance of *The Devil* was given by pupils of one of the class divisions of the Alvirene School of Stage Arts in the school theatre recently. According to the school policy, the cast was altered from act to act, so that most of the pupils appeared in two parts. Thomas Evans played the title role in the first act and in the second act appeared with equal success as Herr Grosser. The Mimi of Act I was Marguerite Van Tuyl. Helen Scott played Oiga in Act I and Elsie Berg in Acts II and III. Arthur Miller appeared as Karl in the first act and the servant in Act II. Aimee Tolson took the artist role in the second and third acts, after impersonating Heinrich in Act I. Louis Cavallo played Herman Zander throughout the performance, and Leslie Davis was the Devil in Acts I and II. Surprisingly good work was done by all of the young people taking part.

HITCHCOCK'S HOME BURNED.

The two-story frame dwelling owned by Raymond Hitchcock, about three miles from Great Neck, L. I., was destroyed by fire which started from some unknown cause early last Tuesday morning. The loss is estimated at from \$80,000 to \$40,000.

The fire spread so rapidly that when it was discovered there was little or no chance of saving the building. A fire call was sent to Great Neck and Alert Engine Company responded, but they could do little to prevent the flames from spreading to the home of W. A. Chandler, close by.

Two women servants who were asleep on the second floor were slightly injured in leaping from their beds.

M. M. THEISS BANKRUPT.

A petition in bankruptcy has been filed against Mortimer M. Theiss, living at the Calvert Hotel, Broadway and Forty-first Street, by Arthur L. Fullman for these creditors: Hegeman Printing Company, \$1,100; Sam Jacobs, \$525 for clothes, and Edwin J. Cohn, \$600, money loaned. It is alleged that Theiss, insolvent, transferred property to creditors to prefer them, and admitted in writing inability to pay his debts. Mr. Fullman said he understood the liabilities are \$10,000. Mr. Theiss was in bankruptcy once before and received a discharge on Oct. 28, 1903.

AN AUTO ACCIDENT.

A serious accident was narrowly averted when two automobiles collided at Mt. Holly, N. J., Aug. 25. One car contained Harry Valentine, of Trenton, N. J., the other Charles M. Lanning, manager of the Auditorium, Burlington, N. J. Mr. Lanning was driving his Buick car, accompanied by friends, and were on their way to the New Egypt carnival. The Valentine car, coming at a rapid pace, crashed into the car driven by Mr. Lanning, throwing the occupants out. They all escaped without serious injury. Those in the other car sustained painful cuts and bruises. Both cars were so badly wrecked that the trip was abandoned.

GOING TO AUSTRALIA.

According to an announcement made by Sanger and Jordan last Thursday, Katherine Grey will go to Australia this winter to star under the direction of J. C. Williamson at the head of a repertoire company of English actors. Miss Grey has given up her plan of appearing with Margaret Anglin in *The Awakening of Helena Richie*.

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EDWARD HUME.

On the first page of *The Mirror* this week is a portrait of Edward Hume, the well known comedian, who is successfully playing the title role in *A Knight for a Day* this season.

Mr. Hume began his career as a member of Edward Harrigan's New York company at Harrigan's Theatre, now the Garrick, in a revival of *Dan's Tribulations*, one of the famous Mulligan series. He was cast for a small part, that of an English waiter, but at the second rehearsal the man engaged to play Tommy Mulligan, originally played by Tony Hart, had a disagreement with Mr. Harrigan and resigned. Calling Hume over, Harrigan handed him the part, saying, "Here, you play this."

Being only a boy and not overburdened with experience, Hume hesitated. "Don't you think that some of the others could play it better, Mr. Harrigan?" he asked.

Mr. Harrigan, not appreciating the modesty of the remark, and not being in the habit of having his actions questioned, answered briefly: "Members of my company play what they are cast for. If you intend to remain with my company you do the same."

Further words being unnecessary, the rehearsal proceeded. Mr. Hume played the part during the run of the piece and had a chance to originate a new role in the next production, *The Woolen Stocking*. No one could be associated in a company containing such artists as Mrs. Annie Yeaman, John Wild, Joe Sparks, Harry Fisher, James B. Radcliffe and Billy West without profiting from study of the ability with which that company was so richly endowed. At the close of the Harrigan engagement Mr. Hume joined A. T. Pearson's company in *The Land of the Midnight Sun*. Next he originated *Jimmy Dolan* in *Lottie Blair Parker's Lights of Home*. Then he entered vaudeville, from which he was engaged to support Rose Melville in *Sia Hopkins*. He continued in her company five years. He was then engaged by Charles B. Dillingham for *Frank Daniels' Company* in *Sergeant Blue*. The following season the Askin-Singer company engaged him to originate *Skivers*, a tenderfoot, in *The Flower of the Ranch*, supporting Mabel Barrison and Joseph E. Howard. He was successful in the part and pleased both press and public. The critics, from Alan Dale in New York to Mrs. McVeigh Sumner in Seattle, have agreed that legitimate methods as applied to musical comedy by Edward Hume entitle him to designation as a real comedian.

THE HEIR TO THE HOORAH.

Paul Armstrong's play, *The Heir to the Hoorah*, as successfully produced in New York a few seasons ago and since offered with much profit on the road, is now in the hands of new owners. Thaler and Crowley, of Hillside Park, Newark, N. J., have obtained the rights as well as the original production of the play and are sparing no expense in keeping the cast and general presentation up to the standard of the original. The piece will play the \$1.50 houses, opening at the Taylor Opera House, Trenton, N. J., Sept. 27, and playing through to the Coast. The exclusive booking is in the hands of Charles A. Burt, of the Longacre Building. The following capable people have been engaged for the production: George Lockwood, Lawrence Dunbar, George Daggett, John J. Burns, Ed F. Finley, H. C. Sperry, Leslie M. Hunt, Francis J. Stratton, Dandy Kim, Graham W. Vilsey, Barney B. Coleman, Edward C. Power, Theora Carter, Emma Bolton, Viah Walters, Mrs. Lawrence Dunbar, and Rose Adela. A carload of scenery will be carried.

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EARL BURGESS' PLANS.

Madame Ferike Boros, the leading woman of the National Theatre in Budapest, has been secured by Earl Burgess to open in *The World and a Woman* at Canton, Ohio, Sept. 6. Madame Boros is a Hungarian actress of note, and will remain in America during the present season studying American theatrical methods, upon which she will regularly report to the directors of the Hungarian National Company. Mr. Burgess predicts great success for her in the new play and will ultimately bring her to Broadway. The play, *The World and a Woman*, is by Joseph Byron Totten, and Mr. Burgess is so confident of its great value that he is organizing two new companies; another cast is being assembled in Chicago by David Ramage; Nettie Bourne opened in the same play at Peoria, Ill., Sept. 5, and Marion Hutchins in still another company at Manchester, N. H., Sept. 6.

Marguerite Bay, formerly leading woman of *Just Out of College*, signed a contract with Mr. Burgess last week whereby she will star exclusively under his management for the next five years. Her first appearance will be in a romantic musical comedy, the scenes of which are laid in the Austrian Tyrol. A cast composed of efficient whistlers is being secured. Miss Bay herself is a remarkable whistler as well as singer and dancer of ability and an undergraduate of Bryn Mawr College. Whistling will be a prominent feature of the production, as many conversations at great distances are carried on by that means by the peasants in the country where the locale of the new production is laid. The piece seems bound to be replete with novelty.

CLYDE FITCH VERY ILL.

Clyde Fitch is dangerously ill at Chalons-sur-Marne, France. While traveling through Germany in an automobile he was attacked with appendicitis and taken to Chalons-sur-Marne. An operation was performed at a hospital there, but Mr. Fitch did not recover from the immediate effects as soon as the surgeons expected. His mother, Mrs. William G. Fitch, accompanied by E. S. Simonds, a family friend, will sail for France at once.

MRS. BRONSON HOWARD ILL.

Word was received in New York last week of the illness of Mrs. Bronson Howard, widow of the dramatist, who is at St. Moritz, Switzerland. Her brother, Sir Charles Wyndham, has written to her friends here that she is slowly recovering but is still too feeble to attend to correspondence. Mrs. Howard went abroad with Sir Charles last Spring at the end of his short season here.

EUGENIE BLAIR ON BROADWAY.

Eugenie Blair, a capable actress who has been quiet hitherto to appear as a star on the road and in the popular priced New York houses in roles similar to those of Pinero's *Iris* and Mrs. Tanqueray and Nappy, and whose last appearance here was in Blanche Walsh's former role in *The Kreutzer Sonata*, has been engaged by Liebler and Company for a leading role in Cleveland Moffett's new play, *For Better, for Worse*.

LOIE FULLER ARRIVES.

Loie Fuller arrived in New York last Saturday on the *Teutonic*, bringing with her fifty girls who are to dance at the Metropolitan Opera House this season under her direction. Their season at the Metropolitan will last from Oct. 25 to Nov. 15. During the Fall and Winter Miss Fuller will take her dancers to Boston, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Washington, Baltimore and other cities.

MRS. PAYTON BEGINS SEASON.

Etta Reed Payton and her company appeared at the Lyceum Theatre, Far Rockaway, last Thursday night in a performance of *The Climbers*. *Hearts Afame* and *Men and Women* were given on Friday and Saturday nights. This week Mrs. Payton begins her road season at Paterson, N. J. In her company are D. H. Hamilton, A. O. Warburg, Frank Payton, Eugene Frazier, and Miss Griffin.

F. C. WHITNEY WITH SHUBERTS.

Fred C. Whitney has contracted with the Shuberts to book his attractions exclusively in their houses. His first production will be *The Chocolate Soldier*, due at the Lyric Theatre on Sept. 13. He will also produce *Gypsy Love*, by Lehar; *The Satyr*, by C. M. H. McClelland and Ivan Caryl; *Divorce*, by Paul Bourret, and a new musical comedy for Emmy Whalen.

NILLSON WITH LIEBLER AND COMPANY.

Cariotta Nillson, last seen on Broadway in *This Woman and This Man* at Maxine Elliott's, has been taken over by Liebler and Company and will be presented by them in a new play by Cleveland Moffett, author of *The Battle*, called *For Better, for Worse*.

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GOSSIP.

Bernard J. McOwen closed his company at Rock Island, Ill., after a successful summer season over the Chamberlain-Kindt air-dome circuit. Mr. McOwen and Miss Emily Lessing left immediately to join the William Cox company. Next summer Mr. McOwen will again open his stock organization for a summer season at Oshkosh Wis.

George Edwards has made the managers of Grace Van Studdiford an offer calling for that singer's appearance in *The Golden Butterfly* at Daly's Theatre, London, in the Spring. Miss Van Studdiford's booking in this country, however, will make acceptance of the offer impossible for the time being.

L. J. Roderiguez, who recently resigned as general manager for Joe Weber, was engaged last week by Lew Fields to take charge of Blanche Ring's company, shortly to open in *The Yankee Girl*.

The members of the second Havana company will give a matinee at the Casino Friday afternoon for the benefit of the first company. In the number two organization are Helen Bertram, George Mack, Hayden Clifford, Jack Raffael, and Hattie Arnold.

Edward Middleton last week produced *Travers Vale's* Southern play, *The Girl of the Sunny South*, at his stock company theatre in Wildwood, N. J. Eleanor Calines, who appeared in the play last season at Portland, Me., is repeating her great success at Wildwood. The road company of *The Girl of the Sunny South* under management of Max Rosenberg is meeting with splendid success.

A. Judah, manager of the Grand Opera House at Kansas City, hurried East last week to meet his wife, who was lately stricken with ptomaine poisoning at Long Beach. She is greatly improved and returned to Kansas City the latter part of the week.

The Woman Pays, featuring Minnie Victoria, opened at Allentown Sept. 4. This play was originally produced under the title of *This Woman and This Man* at the Maxine Elliott Theatre last season.

Chester N. Sutton, manager of the Orpheum Theatre, Montana City, and Miss Rosa Roma were married Aug. 19. Although barely thirty years of age Mr. Sutton is one of the most successful managers in the West.

Armand Lupin was produced at the Duke of York's Theatre, London, on Aug. 30, with Gerald Du Maurier in the role of the thief.

CURRENT AMUSEMENTS.

Week ending September 11.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—Italian Grand Opera Co. in repertoire—1st week.

ALHAMBRA—Vanderbil.

AMERICAN BOOF—The Only Law—32 times, plus 2d week—9 to 17 times.

ASTOR—The Man from Home—307 times, plus 4th week—25 to 33 times.

BELASCO—Is Matrimony a Failure?—3d week—15 to 21 times.

BIGJOU—A Gentleman from Mississippi—353 times, plus 5th week—35 to 41 times.

BROADWAY—The Midnight Sons—15th week—15 to 17 times.

CASINO—James T. Powers in Havana—177 times, plus 3d week—34 to 42 times.

CIRCLE—McIntyre and Heath in Hayti—24 times, plus 9 to 17 times.

COLONIAL—Vanderbil.

COMEDY—Walker Whiteside in *The Melting Pot*—1st week—1 to 5 times.

CRITERION—The Flag Lieutenant—2d week—9 to 16 times.

DALY'S—Billy—9th week—41 to 48 times.

EMPIRE—John Drew in *Jack Straw*—118 times, plus 1st week—1 to 7 times.

FOURTEENTH STREET—Vanderbil and Moving Pictures.

GAETY—The Fortune Hunter—1st week—2 to 3 times.

GARRICK—Hattie Williams in Detective Stories—3d week—16 to 23 times.

GROND OPERA HOUSE—The Four Cohans in *The Yankee Prince*—126 times, plus 9 times.

HACKETT—Such a Little Queen—2d week—8 to 16 times.

HAMMERSTEIN'S ROOF—Closed Sept. 5.

HENDERSON—Otis Harlan in *A Broken Idol*—4th week—25 to 33 times.

HIPPODROME—A Trip to Japan, Inside the Earth, The Ballet of Jewels—1st week.

HUDSON—An American Widow—1st week—1 to 8 times.

HURTIG AND SEAMON'S—Al. Reeves' Show.

JARDIN DE PARIS—Follies of 1908—13th week—85 to 89 times.

JARDIN AND PROCTOR'S FIFTH AVENUE—Vanderbil.

KNICKERBOCKER—The Dollar Princess—1st week—1 to 7 times.

LIBERTY—The Florist Shop—5th week—30 to 31 times.

LINCOLN SQUARE—Girls—252 times, plus 3 to 10 times.

LYCEUM—Arsene Lupin—3d week—12 to 20 times.

LYRIC—The Motor Girl—13th week—90 to 97 times.

MAJESTIC—Guy Bates Post in *The Bridge*—1st week—2 to 10 times.

MANHATTAN OPERA HOUSE—Grand Opera—2d week.

MAXINE ELLIOTT'S—Commencing Sept. 7—Charles Richman in *The Revelers*—1 to 7 times.

METROPOLIS—John Mason in *The Witching Hour*—325 times, plus 2 to 10 times.

MILLER'S BOWERY—Fay Foster Burlesquers.

MINE'S EIGHTH AVENUE—Follies—Lamb Burlesquers.

MURRAY HILL—Rialto Rounders.

NEW AMSTERDAM—The Love Cure—2d week—6 to 14 times.

NEW YORK—The Sins of Society—2d week—8 to 16 times.

OLYMPIC—Rose Hill Folly Burlesquers.

STUYVESANT—Frances Starr in *The Easiest Way*—100 times, plus 1st week—2 to 9 times.

VICTORIA—Vanderbil—matines.

WALLACK'S—The Dollar Mark—3d week—17 to 26 times.

WEBER'S—The Climax—97 times, plus 9th week—10 to 15 times.

WEST END—The Blue Mouse—238 times, plus 8 times.

YORKVILLE—The Ringmaster—92 times, plus 9 times.

GOSSIP.

JERSEY CITY.

The Majestic Opens Third Season to Good Business—Some Personal Gossip.

Cole and Johnson opened the third season of the Majestic Theatre Aug. 28 in *The Red Moon*. The business has been excellent, and the show is immense. The musical numbers are of the best, and the co. is large and composed of hard workers. Bob Cole and Rosamond Johnson are as artistic and clever as of yore, and were cordially received. Fannie Wise still retains her high soprano voice, and is a hit. Adia Overton Walker is also a member of the co., and besides a singing specialty, does an aboriginal dance fairly well. Mollie Dill as the Saloonkeeper's wife and Abbie Mitchell as Minnehaha are capital. Edgar Connor as Sambo makes a hit. The engagement closes Sept. 11. *The Lion and the Mouse* 12-15.

John Barrett, of this city, is now stage painter with the Eddie Leonard Minstrel co.

Al. H. Wilson and co. began season at the Hudson Theatre (Union Hill) 28, 29. In his new play, *Mets in Ireland*, in large business. The play is of the usual order, full of good singing and plenty of scenery, and with a quiet, pleasing plot. Mr. Wilson scored, and is supported by a good co.

Christie Nauman, of this city, has gone with Al. H. Wilson in a managerial capacity.

Rudolph Loescher, clarinetist player of the Majestic Theatre orchestra, was hit by a wagon while on his way to rehearsal. After having three stitches put in his head he made the rehearsal.

The Academy of Music and Keith-Proctor's Theatre are still drawing large houses with good moving pictures.

John V. McMahon, of this city, is now a member of Max Hobson's co. in *The Rejuvenation* of *Not Mary*.

The executive staff of the Majestic Theatre this season is composed of: Frank E. Henderson, manager; Leon William, press representative; John H. Bonas, treasurer; John H. Langbein, stage-manager; William Moran, advertising agent; William Hasselbrook, property man; Fred Flad, electrician; F. W. Peterachon, orchestra leader.

Frances McGrath, of this city, has been engaged to support Henry Miller in *Beverly this season.*

WALTER C. SMITH.

MONTREAL.

George Trimble a Good Nephis—Edna Porter Pleased—All Houses Open Soon.

The Louis Morrisson production of *Faust* was presented at the Francois Aug. 30-4, to good business, with George Trimble in the role of Mephisto. Hamilton Park appeared to advantage as *Faust*, and Edna Porter was a good Marguerite. The play was produced with elaborate scenery and electrical effects. The *Gingerbread Man* 2-7.

Next week the season in Montreal will be in full swing. *King Dodoo* opens at His Majesty's, *The Gay Musician* at the Princess, and the French Stock co. at the Academy in *L'Amour Velle*.

At the National the French Stock present in their usual good style the interesting drama, which was a success in Paris, *La Fille du Garde-Chasse*.

George McLeish, who for many years resided in Montreal, is to be the manager of the Princess.

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CLEVELAND.

Season Promises to be Lively—The Telephone Girl at the Euclid Garden Theatre.

The season is now in full blast and promises to be a lively one.

Raymond Hitchcock in *The Man Who Owns Broadway* was the attraction at the Euclid Avenue Opera House Aug. 30-4. Paid in Full 6-11.

Lord Deckstader's Minstrels opened the season at the Colonial Theatre 30-4. Louise Gunning in *Marcelle* 6-11.

In the Bishop's Carriage was at the Lyceum Theatre 30-4. George Sidney in *The Joy Riders* 6-11.

The Cleveland Theatre had Vivian Prescott as Sal the Circus Girl 30-4. The Cowboy and the Girl 6-11.

Vaughan Glaser and his co. opened in St. Elmo at Keith's Prospect Theatre 30-4.

The Euclid Garden Theatre will give *The Telephone Girl* for the last production of the season, which has been a very successful one.

WILLIAM CRASTON.

TOLEDO.

Bert Williams at the Casino and Broadway

After Dark at the Lyceum.

The Lyceum season opened Aug. 22 with Broadway after dark as the attraction, followed by *The Wizard of Wissland* 26-28. Under Southern Skies 28-1. All were fairly well patronized.

At the Casino Bert Williams and co. opened their season 20, with Mr. Lode, of Koal. The action drags somewhat and the dialogue is weary and pointless in spots, but the main feature, the singing, is plentiful and nearly all new. Williams has a good part and loses no opportunity to get the best points out of his lines. After careful pruning the show will be equal to any of the former ones. Walker does not seem to be missed to any great extent.

The Burlesque of the Empire 26-28.

C. M. EDSON.

MARIE DRESSLER BANKRUPT.

Marie Dressler, known in private life as Leila Koerber, has filed a petition in bankruptcy, with liabilities \$24,886 and no assets. This is Miss Dressler's second experience in the bankruptcy court. She received her discharge on Aug. 6, 1901.

The present debts were contracted in London in a theatrical venture, except \$4,000, which was contracted in Paris. The debts are for advertising, printing, costumes, wigs, millinery, shoes, furniture, services of actors and actresses, scene painting, and a doctor's bill.

There are fifty-nine creditors, among whom are John C. Lubbock, London, \$1,000, secured by mortgage on furniture; Gustave Beer, \$3,588, for costumes; James Smart, \$814, costumes; Clarkson, \$920, costumes and wigs; James Milton and Company, \$3,750, loan, and Monchein, of Paris, \$4,200, well-qualified contract for services.

H. L. Budner, London creditor, obtained a judgment in this city against Miss Dress-

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BROOKLYN AMUSEMENTS.

The season across the bridge might now be said to be fairly started on its way. On Monday *The Three Twins* comes

CORRESPONDENCE

Received too late for classification.

CANADA.

ST. THOMAS, ONT.—GRAND (A. J. Small, prop.; William Devine, mgr.): Paid in full Aug. 27 pleased; fair house. Burgomaster 31; small attendance; good performance. Week of 1 dark.

MAINE.

PORTLAND—JEFFERSON (Julius Kahn, leases and mgr.; M. J. Garrity, res. mgr.): Usurped in theatrical season Aug. 31 with Keegan's Pal; Emmett Corrigan star, supported by Ethel Clayton, Hattie Russell, Maud Burns, John A. Butler, John Stokes. Well received by a large and interested audience.—**KEITH'S** (James E. Moore, res. mgr.): The house of a thousand candles have an opportunity for Mark Kent and star into Sidney 30-4. The house is leading man. Best of our Sidney Toler, Tommy Reynolds, Walter Poulton, David Parsons, Emma Salvatore, Margaret Lawrence. Scene effects good. House filled throughout week.—**GEM** (Peak's Island; Bartley McCullum, mgr.): 30-4: Father Juniperierra attracted large houses, considering lateness of season. Bartley McCullum, with E. P. Sullivan, Robert Coates, Richard Tobin, Adora Andrews, Florence Coventry and Margaret Lee.—**CAFE THEATRE** (E. V. Phelan, mgr.): At Cosy Corners 30-4. A new play for Portland and accepted as "one of the best" by good attendance. Haywood Stevens and Eddie Phenix, V. J. Curran, W. S. Kelly, Gertrude Boudhill, Blanche Frederick, Bassie Maxwell, Louise Valentine.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

CLAREMONT—OPERA HOUSE (H. T. Estes, mgr.): Guy Brothers' Minstrels Aug. 30; large and appreciative audience; the co. included Albert Guy, Lew Gordon, Harry Prince, Thomas Conlia, George Guy, Corey Bear, Ralph Kintner, and Frank Flynn.

NEW JERSEY.

BAYONNE—OPERA HOUSE (Al. H. Woods, leases and mgr.; William A. Miller, res. mgr.): The Three Twins inaugurated the management of Al. H. Woods 1 and a capacity house was present. The all around excellence of the play caused admiring comment. Edward Wade, Thomas Whiffen, Helen Dubois, and Florine Sweetman scored hits. The production was well staged and the scene effects unusually fine. Pierre of the Plains 2-4, with Severein De Deyn in the title-role. The Intruder 6 (Labor Day). Polly of the Circus 7.—ITEM: William A. Miller, the new resident manager of the Opera House, has clothed the ushers in new uniforms and introduced a number of innovations that are pleasing to the patrons. The theatrical season of 1909-10 promises to be a hummer in this city.

PATERSON—LYCEUM (F. J. Gilbert, mgr.): Drew a series of good houses Aug. 26-28 inclusive, which was presented by a fair co. and pleased. Lem. B. Parker's new drama in four acts, entitled The Final Settlement, received its initial production here 20-1; the story is based upon a recent episode in real life in which a prominent financier and a stage favorite figured; the story is well told and acted in a capable manner; Guy Durrell and Minnie Radcliffe deserve special mention in the leading roles. The staging of the piece, however, lacked care and was hardly adequate for requirements of the play. The Squaw Man 2-4. David Higgins in Colonel Clav of Missouri 6-8.

BRIDGETON—CRITERION THEATRE (Ed. B. Moore, mgr.): Life motion pictures and Maurice Brown, violin soloist. Aug. 30-4. William A. Brady announces Grace George in A Woman's Way 8.

NEW YORK.

SARATOGA SPRINGS—BROADWAY (A. G. Sherlock, lessee; Fred C. Mallory, mgr.): House of a thousand candles Aug. 31; production first-class; audience large and enthusiastic. Don't Tell My Wife 6. Lena Rivers 8.

GLENS FALLS—EMPIRE THEATRE (J. A. Holden, mgr.): Kirk Brown co. Aug. 23-25 closed a successful week of business, giving excellent satisfaction. Plays last part of the week were The Man Who Dared and Monte Cristo. Polly of the Circus 30 pleased; business good. Gingerbread Man 31; good business and co. House of a thousand candles 1; fair audience; good co. Don't Tell My Wife 2. King Dede 3. Gruensterk 6. Forty-five Minutes from Broadway 7. Dolly Yarden 8. When the Harvest Days Are Over 9.

PALMYRA—OPERA HOUSE (H. L. Ayer, leases and mgr.): Season opened Aug. 31 with Gruensterk 1; the excellent play was greeted with a large and representative audience; the cast is exceptionally good one and the piece is elaborately staged; the house showed many improvements and the opening was an auspicious one. The Woman Page 10. Moonshiner's Daughter 20. De Rue Brothers' Minstrels 24, 25. East Lynne 26. Ma's New Husband Oct. 4.

CORNING—OPERA HOUSE (Reig Circuit Co., lessee; Ernest J. Lynch, mgr.): The Great Divide 2. At Cripple Creek 6. Girl from Rector's 9. Princesses of Patch 11. Partello Stock co. 13-18.

POUGHKEEPSIE—COLLINGWOOD OPERA HOUSE: East Lynne Aug. 28 seemed to please fair attendance. Parisian Model 30; fair co. and house. Deadwood Dick's Last Shot 31; pretty good. Dolly Yarden 1; good co. and business. King Dede 2. Daniel Sully in The Matchmaker 3. Human Hearts 4. Charles K. Champlin Stock co. 6-11.

NORTH DAKOTA.

FARGO—The Girl Question played Fargo Aug. 30 to good business; cast and production very ordinary. The Cat and the Fiddle, featuring Charles A. Selton and the Elmore Sisters 30; production well staged; co. thoroughly pleased a large audience. Gordon's Minstrels 3. Sunnyside of Broadway 11. Wright Lorimer in The Shepherd King 16-17 (four performances).—**STONE'S MUSIC HALL** (W. W. George, engr.): Marie McCormick gave a delightful song recital 24, assisted by Mrs. Hoffman, of St. Paul, at the piano; Miss McCormick has a splendidly trained voice and a most pleasing personality.—ITEM: The Eagles, who held a convention here 30, attended the performance of The Cat and the Fiddle, occupying the four lower boxes, which were appropriately decorated for the occasion.—Marie McCormick, who has been studying voice in St. Paul for the past six years, leaves soon for Europe, where she will complete her studies.—Mrs. A. Dickey, of Chicago, and mother of Adelaide, the dancer, has been spending some time in the city, the guest of her cousin, F. P. Kennedy.—Jane Houston, of the Nellie Stock co., Minneapolis, is visiting relatives in the city.

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Interesting Items of News from Moving Picture Theatres the Country Over.

At Dixon, Ill., the Star Electric Theatre (W. G. Kent, mgr.), moving pictures and Kramer and Elliott in The Messenger Boy and The Usher to good business.

At Norwich, Conn., Breed's Theatre (Thomas McNulty, lessee). The Convict's Sacrifice is the leading picture week of Aug. 30, with six other big ones and Eileen Hazel in several high-class concert and illustrated songs. Miss Hazel has a sweet voice and was well received, taking the place of Master Harry Noonan, who returned to Boston after several weeks at this theatre, where he established himself as a great favorite. Business excellent.

At Drexel, East Liverpool, O. (John G. Walsh, mgr.): Aug. 30, Frank Coleman, moving pictures. Wayne and Frey, pleasing bill to good business.

At Petersburgh, Va., Cockade moving pictures Aug. 25-1 to big business; pleased. The Lyrical (C. F. Moss, mgr.), opened Aug. 30 with vaudeville and moving pictures to splendid business.

At Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Lyric (Kibbler and Beckett, mgrs.), licensed pictures and the latest in illustrated songs by Steve Blower, vocalist, to crowded houses. Wonderland (J. C. Graul, lessee; Frank Burton, mgr.): The Best pictures from the independent service and illustrated songs rendered in a pleasing manner by Frank Burton to large attendance. Blue Dryer Brothers, (mgr.): Licensed motion pictures and illustrated songs by Will F. Cook continue to please large audiences.

At Faribault, Minn., Opera House a new line of licensed moving picture films will continue for the season on all open dates. Was well patronized Aug. 29.

At Willimantic, Conn., Bijou: Al Reeves is this week's popular singer. The Little Orphan drew S. R. O. At the Scene, Mr. Wallen continues to please, and the big electric sign attracts big houses.

At Pawtucket, R. I., the Scenic (Risley and Behan, mgrs.), reopened Aug. 30 with Johnson-Burns and Jeffries-Sharkey pictures; special arrangement with W. A. Brady; first time in Pawtucket.

The Theatre at McAlester, Okla., continues to good business and a new motion picture house opened Aug. 23 to good business, managed by Walker and Caldwell, and named Theatre Evelyn.

At Columbia, Mo., Theatre (S. G. Campbell, mgr.): Offered light vaudeville and moving pictures to good business Aug. 23-28.

At Winchester, Pa., Lyman Howe, Aug. 7-9. Manager Hable says he will continue his moving pictures, which have been packing the house this summer, every night not occupied by a traveling company. His bookings for this season are better than ever, and good business is expected. Empire (J. H. Henry, mgr.): Photo-Max, Charles George, and motion pictures drew good business 22-5. Irene Gallagher, Lawrence Phillips, and motion pictures will be the attractions Aug. 28-31. This house is becoming very popular.

At the Theatorium (Frost and Thorman, mgrs.): Delaware, Ohio, the pictures at this house are furnished by licensed film firms and the outlook for a good season was never better. At the Grand (Hutchinson and Swearer, mgrs.), the use of licensed films at this house, that are thrown on the canvas the next day after their release, is the reason that S. R. O. is the rule and not the exception and the season's outlook was never better. The Star (Huchman and Shuler, mgrs.): The house shows some licensed films, and in connection with the un-to-date pictures, their big orchestra makes this one of the most popular places in the city. The prospects are for a record breaking season.

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At Dover, N. H., the Clement Theatre (Frank E. Howe, mgr.), Aug. 21-28 delighted capacity business with exceptionally fine films and up-to-date illustrated songs by Rita Gardner.

The Palace Theatre at Alpena, Mich., during the week Aug. 25-30 showed The Factory Girl, Sister Miette, and The Renunciation. The film The Resuscitation made a big hit. The songs were "Down by the Meadow Brook," "Miss Malinda" and "Dear Old Dixie." "Down by the Meadow Brook" was sung by Misses Ritchell and Michaud and Miss Hoot and it made a big hit. Manager Ritchell has the right idea now, and if he keeps on he will have to enlarge his theatre. The Royal had A Mother's Sorrow and Charity Begins at Home, and Sweet and Twenty, a Biograph film, made a big hit. It is good, clean comedy and was appreciated.

The moving picture business at San Antonio, Tex., has been picking up this last week and all the houses are doing well. The Wonderland has some good pictures and pleased well filled houses. The Superba ran Kappelaus and Bell, singing and talking act, and Mabel Manning in illustrated songs; also moving pictures, to good business. The Gem had the O'Down Sisters in singing, dancing and moving pictures. The Alamo, Palace, Quality and Dixie are all doing good business.

At the Lycoming Opera House, Williamsport, Pa., moving pictures to large, enthusiastic audiences. At Wilson's Theatre good business. The Lyric and Grand, under management of John Hoen, continued to please Sept. 6-11.

At Homestead, Pa., the New Star moving picture theatre continues to attract heavy business. Aug. 25 and 26, King and Prince and the Pauper Pictures drew big business, this being Mark Twain's boyhood home, added greatly to the attraction. The Nickolson is drawing its share of patronage.

At the Lyric (Mr. Mason, mgr.), Perth Amboy, N. J., moving pictures and songs to capacity Sept. 6-11.

DATES AHEAD.

Received too late for classification.

CHAMPLIN STOCK (Charles K. Champlin, mgr.): Poughkeepsie, N. Y. 6-11.

COLLEGE BOY (Eastern; Eddie Delaney, mgr.): Bloomfield, Ind., 10, Mitchell 11, Lognotes 14, New Harmony 15, Bonville 17, Huntingburg 18, Jasper 19.

CHESNICK STOCK (Percy Williams, mgr.): Brooklyn, N. Y., Sept. 4—indefinite.

DAUPHINE STOCK (Walter S. Baldwin, mgr.): New Orleans, La., Aug. 29—indefinite.

FOR HER CHILDREN'S BARK (J. H. Laine, mgr.): Cobbskill, N. Y. 7, Catskill 8, Kings 9, Saratoga 10, Herkimer 11.

HONEYMOONERS (Francis X. Horne, mgr.): Middletown, Conn., Bridgeport 8, Waterbury 9, New Britain 10, Danbury 11, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. 13, Glen Falls 14, Utica 15, Lowville 16, Ogdensburg 18.

LENA RIVERS (Northern; Theo. H. Sewell, mgr.): Nazauau, Mich. 7, Crystal Falls 8, Remmier 8, Ironwood 10, Ashland, Wis. 11, Iron River 12, Cloquet, Minn. 14, Brainerd 15, New Richmond 16.

LYRIC STOCK: Lincoln, Neb.—Indefinite.

MYRKLE-HARDER STOCK (Myrkle-Harder Amusement Co., mgrs.): Watertown, N. Y. 6-11.

OUR OWN STOCK: Fort Wayne, Ind., Sept. 5—indefinite.

RUSSELL, LILLIAN (Joseph Brooks, mgr.): Springfield, Mass. 10, 11, New York City 13—Indefinite.

SNOW STOCK (Mortimer Snow, mgr.): Troy, N. Y. Sept. 4—Indefinite.

THURSTON, ADELAIDE STOCK (Francis X. Horne, mgr.): Newport News, Va., 9, Norfolk 10,

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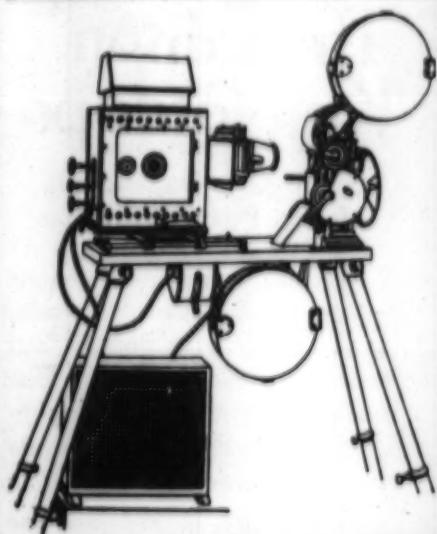
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The Woman Hater (Lubin, Sept. 1).—Effective pantomime, because it is done naturally as human beings would act, makes this picture an excellent and pleasing subject. It furnishes the second testimony within a week of the successful efforts of the Lubin players to approximate the home class, and the public is demanding in motion pictures. There is one outstanding, and that is the fact that the lady who plays the stenographer is out of place. Far be it from this reviewer to cast aspersions on a lady's personal charms, but it cannot be denied if the true writer female had been about two feet shorter or thereabouts and had worn a mask she would have been better able to convince us that she stood some show of captivating the woman hater. Nevertheless, her acting, if one can shut his eyes to her appearance, is of some merit. The woman hater of the story is an old lawyer. A young man stenographer is discharged because he smokes cigarettes, and while the woman hater is on his vacation his junior partner hires the young giantess in question. When the woman hater comes back by falls in love with the lady and marries her to the intense astonishment of the officers of the force, and we might add, of the spectators also.

The Blight of Sin (Selig, Sept. 2).—Grand action and thrilling melodrama with a burning Mississippi steamboat make this picture an effective one of its class, although we cannot help wishing that the Selig players might discard altogether as they have in part the furious gesticulations and stagy attitudes with which they have marred portions of this film. It is true that it does not pretend to be any-

thing but melodrama, but there is nothing inconsistent in natural acting in a play or pantomime of that class. Thrilling scenes and situations would be all the stronger if performed as they might be in real life. A gambler in the oil days along the Mississippi wins another man's money, and runs off with his wife taking passage on a river steamer. The husband and a friend follow down the river bank on horseback, heading off the boat and boarding it with a skip. Then follows a gun fight up and down the decks of the boat, the gambler wounding the husband and setting fire to the boat, but being himself drowned while swimming ashore. Scenes of some realism are presented in the burning steamer, which appears to have been chartered for the occasion, but there is an absence of deck hands and steamboat officers that detracts from the effect. The story ends with the husband taking his wife back home, where the women people refuse to receive her until the town person reads them a lesson.

The Pay Car (Kalem, Sept. 3).—As promised by the producers, a railroad atmosphere is apparent in this notable film, beyond any other railroad picture drama ever produced, and along with it there is an admirable contrivance, thrilling in its nature, and convincing up to the last few feet, when it suddenly falls into inconsistencies that are almost fatal to the film's success. It seems a pity that this should be, but so it is. A drunken foreman is discharged from the road and vows vengeance against the locomotive engineer. A few days later the engineer is called from the side of his sick child to take out the pay car. The former foreman learns from the messenger boy the na-

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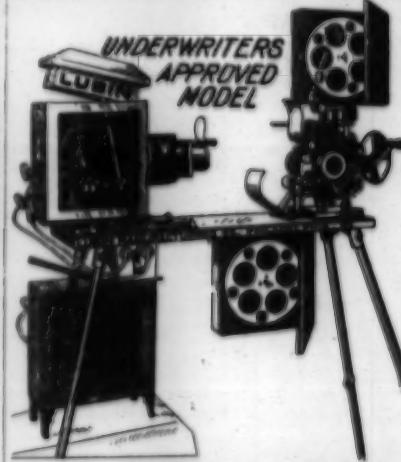
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ture of the engineer's orders and he induces a gang of tramps to help him wreck the train, their purpose being to rob the wreck. At a curve in the road, admirably chosen for the purpose, they place heavy timbers across the track and await the oncoming engine and car. But the engineer's wife, who has gone to the doctor's for medicine for the child, has seen the cutting of the telegraph wires with which the wrecker's have started their plot. She has followed them and has seen the preparations for the wreck. At this point the story falls down. The woman runs to the desperado, who has made her prisoner and then escapes, taking her along. When the engine comes around the curve its movement is painfully slow and it stops at the obstruction, although no warning has been given. A little trick work with the camera would have made the engine's approach appear rapid and thrilling, and if the woman had first run to the curve and waved a signal it would have provided a reason both for her capture and for the sudden stoppage of the train. The plot,



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having failed, the gang runs away, followed by the engineer and the crew of the pay car, armed with rifles. One would have thought under such circumstances that the fugitives would have been eager to make good their escape without encumbering themselves with a woman prisoner, but they fail to see it in this way and they hold on to the woman till the very last. Seeking cover in a lonely building they are attacked by their pursuers, who rashly and most unmercifully expose themselves in the open close to the building, when they exchange no-

merous shots with the inmates. At last the engineer rushes in and brings out his wife and somehow the gang is captured. The acting is generally good and free from stagy posing, and with the fine railroad detail already referred to the picture would have been one of the most important productions of the year but for the inexpressible faulty finish.

A Visit to Biskra (Pathé, Sept. 3).—The fine coloring which Pathé Frères are now giving some of their travel pictures adds immensely to their value. This picture is one of this class and it is well worth seeing. It shows scenic and street views in an Arabian town.

Show Your License (Pathé, Sept. 3).—Inexpressibly funny in the convincing gravity with which it is handled, this comedy picture is a hit. A soldier finds a man hunting and demands to see his license. The hunter suddenly makes off, telling the soldier he must run for it if he wants to see the license. The soldier follows and is led through numerous rough roads and difficult passages by the fleeing hunter, frequently pausing to taunt and irritate his pursuer, begging him all the while to hurry up. At length tired out, the hunter stops for refreshments, and when the soldier arrives, now sure of his prisoner, the hunter serenely produces the license.

Ethel's Luncheon (Edison, Sept. 3).—The Edison producers have accomplished another notable feat in securing a picture story written by Carolyn Wells, which is produced with a capable cast. The story is a charming bit of humor, the acting for the most part is admirable, the scenes well chosen and the photography fine, though the prints in too much shadow, but either Miss Wells has not appreciated the necessity of clearness in handling picture language or the stage director is at fault in carrying out her ideas. Possibly both are to blame. Because is had to numerous telegrams in getting the story over, and this is bad in itself. While letters and telegrams are sometimes necessary, they should be avoided as much as possible. The action should be obvious enough to make the matter intelligible without written details. But even with the telegrams referred to this story abounds in obscure points and not all of these are possible to comprehend in the light of what follows. Nevertheless the picture is immensely pleasing. A young man in love with Ethel invites her to dine with him

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6. (Selig) The Stampede. Drama. 680 "
6. (Selig) Spring Has Come. Comedy. 300 "
7. (Vita.) The Fisherman. Drama. 430 "
7. (Vita.) He Tried on Hand Cuffs. Comedy. 304 "
7. (Gaumont) The Mason's Paradise. Comedy. 414 "
7. (Gaumont) First Airship Crossing the English Channel. Topical. 510 "
7. (Edison) A Dangerous Pair. Comedy. 520 "
7. (Edison) The Temptation. Drama. 475 "
8. (Pathé) Little Soldier. Drama. 394 "
8. (Pathé) Sweden. Gotha Canal. Scene. 970 "
8. (Eassany) Juvenile. Drama. 458 "
8. (Gaumont) The Stolen Gems. Drama. 404 "
8. (Gaumont) Glimpses of Paris. Scenic. 417 "
9. (Bio.) Comata, the Sioux. Drama. 933 "
9. (Lubin) A True Patriot. Patriotic. 735 "
9. (Lubin) Glimpses of Yellowstone Park. Scenic. 180 "
9. (Selig) The Engagement Ring. Drama. 1000 "
10. (Pathé) Tom Thumb. Fairy-tale. 1016 "
10. (Edison) The Making of Honey. Industrial. 190 "
10. (Edison) The Amateur William Tell. Comedy. 305 "
10. (Kalem) Hiram's Bride. Drama. 950 "
11. (Pathé) Chasing a Sea Lion in the Arctic. Sport. 371 "
11. (Pathé) Sport in Java. Sport. 208 "
11. (Pathé) How to Tame a Mother-in-Law. Comedy. 351 "
11. (Vita.) An Alpine Echo. Drama. 900 "
11. (Gaumont) Mozart's Last Requiem. Drama. 940 "
12. (Bio.) Getting Even. Comedy. 587 "
12. (Bio.) The Children's Friend. Drama. 385 "
13. (Pathé) Amateur Detective. Comedy. 390 "
13. (Pathé) A Child's Prayer. Drama. 571 "
13. (Lubin) Her Face Was Her Fortune. Comedy. 810 "
13. (Selig) (Title not reported). 400 "
14. (Edison) Little Sister. Drama. 1000 "
14. (Vita.) The Little Father. Drama. 610 "
14. (Vita.) The Wealthy Rival. Comedy. 380 "
14. (Gaumont) (Title not reported). 400 "
15. (Pathé) The Pretty Girl of Nice. Col. Drama. 462 "
15. (Pathé) The City of Naples. Scenic. 440 "
15. (Vita.) (Title not reported). 400 "
15. (Eassany) A Case of Tomatoes. Comedy. 405 "
15. (Eassany) Three Reasons for Haste. Comedy. 485 "
16. (Bio.) The Broken Locket. Drama. 600 "
16. (Lubin) The Fortune Hunters. Comedy. 575 "
16. (Lubin) All on Account of a Letter. Com. Drama. 385 "
16. (Selig) (Title not reported). 400 "
17. (Kalem) The Story of a Rose. Drama. 245 "
17. (Kalem) Winning a Dinner. Comedy. 245 "
17. (Pathé) The Mountebank's Son. Drama. 802 "
17. (Edison) How the Landlord Collected His Rents. Comedy. 400 "
17. (Edison) 'Tis Now the Very Witching Time of Night. Comedy. 500 "
18. (Pathé) Oh! What a Beard. Comedy. 335 "
18. (Pathé) The Fresh Kid. Comedy. 205 "
18. (Pathé) Construction of Balloons. Industrial. 361 "
18. (Vita.) The Marble Heart. Drama. 988 "
18. (Gaumont) (Title not reported). 400 "

at his country club. She telegraphs that she will be there and will wear her flowers. A moment later receives another telegram to bring him to the club and he arrives with a friend to entertain Ethel in his stead. Two mischievous young girls over hear these arrangements and plot to have a bit of fun and a good luncheon. Going to their home (we are left to presume it is their home) they don the dresses of their elders and return to the club, wearing the chosen flowers, a point that is not made sufficiently clear. One of the girls introduces herself to the proxy as Ethel. She is properly dressed when the second girl presents herself as Ethel and the first one escapes. Another luncheon is ordered by the puzzled proxy, and is being devoured when in walks the real Ethel. This proves too much for the poor fellow. He is unable to stand up to the girls and Ethel falls to the floor in an opportunity merely standing rather abashed to one side. However, the situation is sufficiently humorous to make good, for all that. At this point the first young man, he of the many telegrams, shows up without any explanation to account for his unexpected return. The matter is then cleared up and Ethel sets her luncheon.

Backward, Turn Backward. (Time, in Thy Flight (Edison, Sept. 3).—An aged couple recalling the past over a luncheon of apples made to see a vision of their childhood days. A number of boys are seen robbing a farmer's orchard. They are pursued by the farmer, but our particular boy is captured and is left in the orchard. He only succeeds capturing by the aid of a little girl, who conceals him under a pile of straw. The little girl, of course, is the one who is now his aged wife, and as they share the stolen apples the scene changes to the old couple's parlor where we first found them. It is a pleasing picture.

Reviews of films released Sept. 4 will appear in the next issue of *This Mirror*.

MORE INFRINGEMENT SUITS.

The Patents Company has commenced infringement suits in the United States Circuit Court for the Southern District of New York, against Isaac W. Ullman, Sidney M. Ullman, Duff C. Low, William Piley and the Film Import and Trading Company. The Ullmans and associates formerly controlled the Film Import Company, but are not now connected with it. Suit has also been commenced in the United States Court against the New York Motion Picture Company.

MEIIFS RELEASSES.

The release date for the Melies films has not yet been announced, but the first release will be about Sept. 15. Among the early releases will be the following subjects: The Rose, The Stolen Wireless, For the Cause, and The Rancher's Daughter.

EXCITED OVER NON-INFLAMMABLE. The Proposition to Prohibit Celluloid in New York Arouses Opposition.

The proposition to have celluloid film prohibited in New York city through a rule to be adopted by the Municipal Explosives Commission is causing much commotion among licensed as well as independent film interests. The licensed people fear that the new Eastman stock will not come wholly within the exceptions mentioned in the proposed provision, and they also argue that the Eastman non-inflammable stock is not yet an established success. It is brittle, they say, and is giving much trouble to exhibitors. There is also a hint that the proposed new rule may be in the interest of some fireproofing concern that may claim to have a wash of some kind that will render film fireproof.

INDEPENDENT FILM RELEASES.

Sept. 8. (Centaur) Wishing Charm. Comedy. 455 ft.
8. (Centaur) Diamond Necklace. Drama. 545 "
10. (Bison) The Paymaster. Drama. 1000 "
11. (Film Import) Airship Flights. Drama. 1000 "
22. (Great Northern) Dr. Cook's Reception in Copenhagen. Tropical. 1000 "

ANOTHER BIG VITAGRAPH STUDIO

The Vitagraph Company is now having designs for what is said will be the largest studio in use by any picture plant. It is planned to occupy the entire side of the Vitagraph plant with a huge glass and concrete structure, which will eventually be demanded because of the increased interest taken in aviation. Cycloamic and panoramic drops will be provided for, and any demand short of actual distance flight can be met. The studio is the first practical acknowledgement of the newest fad by the picture people, though several airship subjects have been released dealing with air flight. Other buildings of the plant will also be enlarged.

MR. BARKER'S CHANGE.

W. G. Barker, long of the Warwick Trading Company, of London, England, has severed his connection with that company and has been succeeded as general manager by J. W. Smith. Mr. Barker plans to start a film making plant of his own.

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Length, 963 feet.

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Minnie Dupree and Company.

When Edgar Allen Woolf started out to write *A Call for Help* for Minnie Dupree he should have become definitely settled in his mind as to what he was about to do. He appears to have been undecided as to whether he would write a farcical vaudeville sketch, a condensed melodrama, a balled-down problem play or a one-act tragedy. The result is that poor Miss Dupree is burdened with a sketch containing the component parts of all the best forms of theatrical endeavor and has the hastiest time of her career, to the writer's memory, flying madly about from one form of emotion to another, sounding every chord along the gamut of Mr. Woolf's eccentric imaginings. The sketch, as presented by Miss Dupree, White Whitemeyer and an actor with no further identification on the programme than "Mr. Racey" at the Orpheum Theatre, Brooklyn, last week, left one in a maze at its conclusion. The story is of a married man who on being sent hurriedly from his summer home in Maine in quest of a cook meets with a lady from an employment agency who impresses him so favorably that he engages her at once. The cook, in reality, is La Belle Mignon, an actress who has deserted the stage in order that she might write a novel of society life from the standpoint of a "society cook," and also because she believes she has been trapped into a bogus marriage with a man with whom she is really still in love. At the city home of her new employer, a few hours after she has been engaged, she encounters this man, who is the broom-stick man of the woman who has engaged her to cook. There is a scene of recrimination and hysterical heroics on the part of the lady until the man whom she believes to have deceived her explains that she is really married to him and that he only told her otherwise in order that she might not let the fact become public and so cut him off from an inheritance from an uncle who has willed him his property only on condition that he does not marry until he (the uncle) is dead. The plot as conceived by Mr. Woolf lends itself best to broad farce and the author should have been content to follow out the story in that vein. The introduction of problem play and tragedy elements is absurd and arouses only amusement where the author apparently intended to thrill. Miss Dupree tried with infinite pluck, chameleonic to Mr. Woolf's piping. She was pleasing in the farcical moments and less so at the unexpected times when Mr. Woolf executed his grand and toto tumbling exhibition and compelled her to indulge in catch-as-catch-can mock tragedy. Mr. Whitemeyer was very good as the husband in search of a cook, and Mr. Racey was often quite convincing as Harry—not too often, however. Miss Dupree is good, but *A Call for Help*, aside from its moments of pure farce occurring in its earlier moments, is bad, very bad.

Macart and Bradford.

Recently William H. Macart was an able vaudeville feature in a rather pleasing monologue. His latest effort is entitled *A Legitimate Hold-Up*, and is a combination of sketch and monologue. He is assisted by Ethlyne Bradford, and no author's name being mentioned, we surmise Mr. Macart himself to be the responsible genius. The act opened last week at the Alhambra and took several encores after keeping the audience in capital humor from the opening to the finale. The act opens in one portion of the monologue, picks up while including some comedy and other friendly humor, is an improvement on his prior efforts and ably delivered. The plot hangs upon Bolyar's (Mr. Macart) week absence from home and his wife's (Miss Bradford) ultimate search. From the street scene the action is carried to the home, where his homecoming is handled in a broad comedy vein with bright, clever dialogue interwoven. His situations are good and, while the action is improbable and ludicrous at times, it is so legitimately funny that laughter is continuous. Mr. Macart and Miss Bradford, the latter attired in a wonderful green directorate creation, played to their usual high standard and made the act a most happy success.

Hoey and Walters.

Hoey and Walters (Fourteenth Street) were seen in their now "oddity," *My New Partner*. The act reminds one of one or two others of a very similar nature, but it is worked out along original lines. The act is in one, opening with one of the team appearing as a stage hand, the time supposed to be early morning. The other member of the team then makes his entrance as a variety performer, who is about to go on for his Monday morning's rehearsal. A wordy argument ensues between the stage hand and the actor, the latter learning via wire that his partner has deserted him. The stage hand then offers to help him out and join his act, thus enabling the player, who has confessed that he is "broke," to send money home to the woman he loves. Three songs are sung: *A Poverty*, *A Small Town Girl* and *Yankee Doodle*. During the latter a travesty unconvincing kind of variety acts being cleverly offered. The skin need pruning and smoothing over. Parts of the act are by crude and the man playing the stage hand is somewhat too "tough." Stage hands may be a rough and ready set of craftsmen, but they are not as a rule unforgivably hardened. The audience on Tuesday night voted the offering a decided success.

Wilfred Clarke and Company.

In a new farce written by himself and called *How Will It All End?* Wilfred Clarke was a feature of the bill at the Orpheum Theatre last

week. Like his former vehicle, *What Will Happen Next?* the sketch arouses laughter from its rapid, confusing action, mixed up identities and improbable situations. The story, so interesting in its detail, is difficult to repeat, but one gathers that a young artist has been married unbeknownst to his father, a clergyman, and much of the humor comes from the attempts of the artist to explain to his father, when the latter comes on an unexpected visit to his studio, the presence therein of a young woman in familiar dishabille. A "prop," baby also figures conspicuously in the "plot." The sketch is funny, undoubtedly, and should serve Mr. Clarke as well as did *What Will Happen Next?* Mr. Clarke plays with all his wonted dash and keeps the tale moving at a lively clip. Of his support, Eleanor De Mott easily carries. Miss De Mott plays a model charmingly and with pleasing intelligence. Charles Sutton, Archie Gillies, Janet Bayes, and Grace Melniken are adequate in a quartette of supporting roles.

Sophie Tucker.

From the small time to the big time is a long jump and many there are who have slipped or stumbled in the attempting of it. Sophie Tucker is another recruit from the lower ranks of the vaudeville and amusement ladder, who is about to find her own. She certainly deserves it! Seldom is such a vivacious, intense and entertaining personality found in one body. Miss Tucker fairly lifts a person out of his seat. She has a very powerful voice, of the "coo" and "caw" variety, but which she uses to such good advantage that the harshness of it is forgotten and her higher and her lower notes are quite pleasing. But it isn't her voice—it's her ability to act. Musical comedy will undoubtedly soon take her away from the variety stage and we will then no longer hear her sing "*The Cubanola Glide*," "*My Southern Rose*," "*Carrie and Harry*," and the "*Wild Cherry Bag*." On Thursday afternoon she received five bows and was then forced to give an encore. But her gown! Whoever designed it must have thought the main idea is to get everything in the trimming line on one gown. "Nuff said!"

Temple Quartette.

The Temple Quartette (Fifth Avenue) proved themselves to be one of the very best singing combinations greeting the audience boards to day. There is not another male quartette that makes such a really good appearance, especially in the way they group themselves. Each man acts as if he was used to evening clothes and not as if he was in a strange costume on parade. Vocally the quartette surpasses almost every other one now being heard, and no quartette is rendering Nevin's "*Rosary*" as capably as does this one. The other offerings were "*Just One Sweet Girl*," "*I Want Somebody to Play With*," "*Just Like the Rose*," "*Annie Laurie*," "*Honey on Our Honeymoon*," "*Someone's Waiting for Me*," with patter, and "*How Do You Like Your Oysters? Raw! Raw!*" as a final encore. The Monday night's audience voted the act one big hit.

Leona Thurber and Harry Madison.

At the Orpheum Theatre, Brooklyn, last week, Leona Thurber and Harry Madison presented a singing and dancing "turn" called *A Shopping Turn*. The act opens before a drop picturing the front of a busy department store, and here Miss Thurber and Mr. Madison indulge in more or less funny repartee and a pair of fairly amusing songs. Some of the talk is not glitteringly brilliant, and Miss Thurber's song, "*Shopping*," lacks spontaneity and originality. By far the best part of the offering is the second half, where both players score with a song called "*Vaudeville*." Mr. Madison's dancing, needless to say, is a strong feature of the new turn. Some brightening of the dialogue and more rapid action would greatly improve the act. Both players already possess the ability; they need only the better material.

The Sicilian Singers.

Again it has been proven that vaudeville audiences desire and appreciate the best in music. At the Colonial last week the Sicilian Singers, a mixed quartette of three men and one woman, made their American debut and walked into instant favor with a repertoire of scenes from three grand operas, each of which was most capably rendered and warmly applauded. Their stay in vaudeville can be as long as they wish it to be; or as the booking offices elect. The public wants them, anyhow.

NATIONAL VAUDEVILLE AS 'O' MEETS.

The National Vaudeville Association (Gus Sun Circuit) met in the Chittenden Hotel, Columbus, on Wednesday, Aug. 26, and arranged plans and details for the booking of acts during the coming season. The circuit has houses in Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, West Virginia, and New York. A producing department was arranged for and larger acts than heretofore will be offered the public. Gus Sun is the general manager and the following are the officers: J. B. McShaffey, Monessen, Pa., president; Ray Andrews, Muncie, Ind., vice-president; L. H. Ramsey, Lexington, Ky.; secretary; R. G. Murray, Richmond, Ind.; Ward and McCarty, Hamilton, O., and G. L. Murray, Lexington, Ky., directors. The next meeting will be held in Columbus again in February.

HIPPODROME SEASON OPENS.

The Hippodrome opened its fifth season on Saturday night, Sept. 5, presenting three mammoth productions—*A Trip to Japan*, *Inside the Earth*, and *The Ballet of Jewels*. Dress rehearsals were held most of last week. The new Hippodrome show will be reviewed in next week's *MIRROR*.

CECILIA LOFTUS ARRIVES.

Cecilia Loftus arrived in New York on the S. S. "Baltic" on Sunday, Sept. 6, accompanied by her husband. She will make her vaudeville appearance under the direction of William Morris, Inc., shortly.

NEW MANHATTAN'S OPENING.

The New Manhattan Theatre, of which Will Gane is the manager, will open on Sept. 13, presenting seven vaudeville acts and several reels of motion pictures.

A CRITICAL REVIEW

NOTES OF "THE MIRROR'S" CRITICS UPON DRAMATIC AND OTHER ACTS OF THE WEEK.

Henry Lee's Latest Impersonations by Henry Lee—Laura Burt and Henry Stanford Present a Treat in The Order of the Bath—Comments on Other Players and Acts.

Al Hayne's Famous Bull Dogs (Fifth Avenue) was the closing act last week and seldom is an animal act seen that is as pleasing as this one. The dogs are not required to do feats of the impossible order for the canine world, and each beast worked as if he enjoyed it. The football playing was very amusing and the dogs romped in sheer joy. Let it be hoped that this act may remain long upon the variety stage.

Myers and Rosa opened the Fifth Avenue bill with their rope throwing act, which proved interesting and entertaining and, despite the hard position, applause was frequent and well sustained.

Work and Ower (Fifth Avenue) returned to town with their acrobatic tumbling act, which again scored a big hit. Their work in one is quite hazardous at times and their many unique tumbling and falls call for nerve, skill and daring.

Laura Burt and Henry Stanford (Fifth Avenue) presented it. It is a really exceedingly clever playlet, *The Order of the Bath*, which has not been seen hereabouts for a long time. The comedy is one of the most novel and brightly written farcelets ever presented in vaudeville and, although the scene in the bathhouse might be played along broad lines, never for an instant does it ever border upon the indecent. Mr. Stanford's portrayal of the role of Captain Jack Lanticorn is carried along good comedy lines without making a burlesque of the part, each sentence, bit of business and situation being carried out to excellent effect. Miss Burt gave a performance not soon to be forgotten. She looks exceedingly winsome and fetching in her lingerie, keeping happily from all thought of suggestiveness. Her reading of the lines was effective and her comedy was delicious. Kate Guyon is deserving of praise for her handling of the part of the French maid.

Frank Nelson and company (Colonial) presented Sewell Collins' dramatic sketch, *Thirty Dollars*, wowing the plaudits of the first audiences of the season at that house. Mr. Nelson does not seem to grasp the real character of the boy Phil. He overdoes much of it and his attempts at comedy are uncalled for and quite sad. But, as is oftentimes the case, the audience overlooks these failings or did not see them at all, as they were lauged to and applauded on Tuesday afternoon. But, nevertheless, we are forced to ask, Why the buffering good part? Hall McAllister gave a fairly canary portrayal of the artist and Dorothy De Shells pleased greatly as Molly, her being the only really sympathetic and studied impersonation in the playlet.

Bert and Lottie Walton (Colonial) opened the bill at that house and their acrobatic tumbling, dancing and comedy act pleased as it always has, in spite of the position. They closed with a roller skating dance in one. Miss Walton appearing in an exceptionally natty brown costume is deserving of the highest praise. It was a good roller-skater affair, with silver and gilt spangles on the waist like jacket, tassels hanging from the elbow sleeves and the knees. A tan dance on a mat ended the act effectively.

Howard and North (Colonial) were again seen in the homely, delightful playlet, *Back in Wellington*. Many new lines have been added to the already exceptionally good offering and the act never seemed went better than it did on Tuesday afternoon. The players are to be most highly commended for not taking the bows they earn after the sketch is ended and for leaving the stage in the same highly artistic manner as they first come on. Few players have a such discretion.

Hoeford and Winchester (Colonial) returned to America after a couple of seasons abroad and fully justified Manager Williams' judgment in booking them again. Their juggling comedy act is a wonder and is the equal of any other before the public to-day, and the superior of most. The special drop is very effective and the tin-prop bathtime is exceptionally so. They indulged with about everything imaginable on Tuesday afternoon from balls to bones, closing the act with the fork and apple catching trick, as a final laugh winner catching leaves of bread, fruits and cabbages. The tramp comedy element is exceedingly funny, although most of his business has been done by others, notably much of it by James Harrigan, who was forced to follow the act with but one number in between, an instance of very bad booking.

James Harrigan (Colonial) was seen in the fact that he had to follow such an act as Badford and Winchester, as stated above, with another of his big hits and his moonshines, with many new "gags" went quite as big as ever. His juggling necessarily suffered when coming after the other act, however, and it is a pity that one of the acts could not have been switched. The "gags" on preceding acts were most timely and funny.

James A. Smith and company (Fourteenth Street) were seen in June McCree's old-time sketch, *The Man from Denver*, and the comedy went with a scream and a roar. Mr. Smith's impersonation of the familiar type of the "dope fiend" is along the lines laid down by Mr. McCree, and reminds one strongly of that comedian. It is not, however, as unctuous or as easy a performance as the latter used to give. The other roles were handled by Grace McMaster, Richmond Hutchins, and Pearl E. Abbott.

Conway and Barnes (Fourteenth Street) were seen in their old comedy skit. The Stockbrokers, and the act was quite as amusing in the Fourteenth-streeters as to others who have launched at it in the past. But why, oh! why wear an opera hat with a business suit, wing collar and four-in-hand tie? Why not try a silk hat, even to please the downtowners?

Harry B. Lester (Alhambra) opened his season with a splendid hit to his credit, and if he

PENCILED PATTER.

Always make a noise like prosperity! Max Witt has put over another one: An act called *The Merry Wives of Windsor*. It was very successful last week at Henderson's, Coney Island.

The day after the newspapers announced the fact that Dr. Cook discovered the North Pole, Joe Woods sent a man down there to see if there were any houses to book. Make believe the Doctor won't receive vaudeville offers when he returns. Oh, no!

The former Eddie Leonard show will be known hereafter as the *George Thatcher Minstrels*. Leonard goes back to vaudeville, opening at the Grand Opera House, Pittsburgh, this week.

Frank Wilson with his piano-organ act will soon be seen around New York. He has been playing for the past season in the West.

Well, bring on your North Pole songs!

It's never too late to book next week. They say Bostock, the animal man, who owns "*Consul*," the money getting monk, has another one up his sleeve called "*Lady Betty*," who does a female version of "*Consul's*" act.

It now costs \$50 a year to be a vaudeville agent in Philadelphia. They must make money over there.

Nat L. Ayer, of Brown and Ayer, dropped into town Friday. Every time he visits New York it costs some music publisher money. He gives them songs for it.

Those Western vaudeville circuits that are fighting each other ought to be reminded of what Sherman said about war.

The Pat Rooney company is putting out a new act featuring Joe Kane, who was formerly with the Rogers Brothers.

There is a fellow going around to the small time agencies wearing a frock coat and a high silk hat. They all think it's an undertaker coming in, but he turns out to be a hypnotist. That's a good idea, though to go around looking for a date all ready to go on.

Mamie and Fleming whose single act is well known in vaudeville, will return to the two-a-day in the course of the next few weeks.

Charles McDonald and Crawford and Montrouge have been booked for twenty weeks over the United time by William S. Hennessy. They open at Boston this week. Leo Donnelly has also been routed by the same agent.

O'Della Diss De Bar is in vaudeville, booked by Eddie Keeler. Many who only know her by the newspaper stories printed about her will be surprised to see how bright she really is. At any rate, vaudeville has seen worse attractions.

Mabel Hiltz and Mike Donlin will break in their new act at Poll's, Hartford, on Sept. 13.

Any manager can tear your act apart, but few of them can build it up.

Roosevelt will be back from Africa soon, and who knows but what some vaudeville manager may secure him to do a monologue or a sharpshooting act.

THOMAS J. GRAY.

keeps up his present pace will ultimately land solidly among the top notchers. His songs, especially the one in recitative, are original and good applause winners, while his monologue work, although unpleasantly blue in spots, pleased as well. His imitations are handled differently this season, being enacted as part of a song telling how easy it is to win applause through their effective agency, but they are still "impostures," and he should strike out on his own personality and let others imitate him (if imitation we must have). His success was pronounced, and he proved as big a favorite as any other act on the bill.

Eva Taylor returned to the Alhambra with a fair supporting company in the well-known one-act farce, *Chimes*. The act scored the big laugh success, to which it is entitled, but the man playing Jack Bandis could be improved. He was programmed as Lawrence Grattan, but we doubt the personality. Miss Taylor played effectively as formerly.

George Felix and Lydia Barry (Alhambra), assisted by Emily and Clara Barry, were most welcome. The act seemingly went better than ever before, although there is little change in evidence. Mr. Felix is unequalled in his original style of pantomime comedy, and Miss Barry—well, she comes as near being Fay Templeton's successor as any woman on the stage to-day, should she ever be given the right sort of Broadway opportunity her success would be immediately and worth watching.

Herbert Lloyd, assisted by his company of girls and men, again won his launching hit of the American Music Hall bill. His diamond car and costume, with the many and varied forms of "underskirt," together with his absurd props and business, make his act one scream from start to finish. The "*Seeing New York*" is deserving of a place in the archives of memory.

Henry Lee (American Music Hall) gave his usual repertoire of impersonations of great men, past and present, including Robert Fulton, Mark Twain, E. H. Harriman, Hon. Joseph Cannon, Oscar Hammerstein, Lieutenant General U. S. Grant, General Robert E. Lee and Theodore Roosevelt. The Harriman impersonation was excellent and the *monologue* with it was exceedingly funny. If we could only be allowed to forget that it is Henry Lee, with capital letters and electric display signs! And if he would only invent, conceive, think out or make up a new introduction! But then he is Henry Lee!

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PROCTOR SECURES NEW HOUSES.

Proctor and Sanderson have secured the Majestic and Plainfield Opera House, at Perth Amboy and Plainfield, N. J., which have been leased from Counihan and Shannon for a period of five years. The houses will be closed in a week or so for overhauling and they will repair them at a cost of about \$30,000.

The houses will be run on the vaudeville plan, booking through the U. B. O., with moving pictures and illustrated songs and about five acts of vaudeville. The Plainfield house will be named Proctor's Theatre. Five and ten cents will be the admission.

Mr. Sanderson will manage the Perth Amboy, having formerly managed the Proctor and Sanderson Theatre at Plainfield. There will be a new force at the houses, but L. A. Texier, who was treasurer of the Majestic under Counihan and Shannon, will also be treasurer for the new management. There will be ten more attractions before vaudeville will take place, among which are Mary Jane's Pa, the Three Twins, and The Honeymooners.

Counihan and Shannon will probably open a new house at Staten Island, N. Y.

NEW VAUDEVILLE THEATRES.

The Charles Realty Company, of San Francisco, is negotiating to build a new vaudeville theatre at Eddy and Fillmore streets, to cost \$500,000.

A new theatre is planned to be erected at Sharon, Pa., by J. Herman and F. Dale. This house will be built on the corner of Porter and State streets and will take in the Theatorium and showroom building. Work will be started Sept. 1 and will be finished in two months.

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VAUDEVILLE SONG FEATURES

MUSICAL OFFERINGS HEARD IN THE VARIETY HOUSES IN TOWN LAST WEEK.

Popular and Classical Airs Rendered in the Large and Small Houses, with Comments Thereon—What Some of the Illustrated Song Singers Are Offering.

Iola Pomeroy, assisted by Syd. Franklyn at the piano (Fourteenth Street), were enjoyed by the patrons of that not over fastidious playhouse. Miss Pomeroy does a "kid" singing act that is entertaining though not particularly remarkable in any way. She rather rasps at times and her voice is decidedly strained and hardened. The first number was an impersonation of a youngster in overalls and wide brimmed straw hat, with long yellow curly "woobys" was the song rendered, a number that pleased fairly well. During a change of costume Mr. Franklyn played a piano, his selections running the gamut of popular and classical airs, with a goodly mix of fast rag time. He was applauded generously at the close of each turn. Miss Pomeroy's second song was "I Could Learn to Love You If You'd Only Let Me Try," the costume being a blue affair, knee length loose trousers, leg stockings of pink with blue socks and white low shoes. A Fauntleroy sash girded the waist and hips, ending in a big bow, while a white lace collar encircled the neck in semidcolleté cut. The waist was a blouse jacket. The use of the spot upon people in the audience caused much amusement. The last song had to do with a child's walls over being spanked by its parent. The costume was a simple blue girl dress of white.

With "Wings" (Fourteenth Street) rendered a Charles E. Harris song, "Love Me Then I'll Love You," with slides by Lovi and company. The number pleased, although it is a rather ordinary song both in theme, verse and tune. The slides were not unusual, though appropriate enough. Mr. Bobbins is taking the place of Jack Driscoll, who is away on a vacation.

Pat Rooney and Marion Bent, playing in third position at the Fifth Avenue, were one of the big hits of last week's bill. Each received a warm welcome upon their first entrances and throughout the act applause was frequent. The songs included "I Love to Sit and Look at You," and "I Love a Lassie," which was used as a dance accompaniment. A burlesque imitation of Geiger and Walters' instrumental imitation was quite funny.

Marie Daniels (Fifth Avenue) caused no end of mirth at that house where she repeated her present vaudeville offering without material change since it was last reviewed in *This Magazine*.

Louise Dresser headlined the Alhambra bill last week and proved to be a favorite well worth her position on the bill. Her songs, much the same as at the Fifth Avenue recently, included "Lady Love," "Queenie," "Something That the Cat Brought In," and "My Gal Sal," and were rendered in the winsome, original style that has made her famous in both musical comedy and vaudeville.

Sue Smith reappeared at the Alhambra with much the same repertoire of songs that characterized her last season's success. In order, they are as follows: "I Want a Home," "Summer," "Italy," "In Germany," and "Miss Liberty." Her costume was tasteful and appropriate and her voice in unusually good form.

Geiger and Walters (Fifth Avenue) were heard to pleasing advantage in their musical oddity, *In the Streets of Italy*. The songs included "Nearer, My God, to Thee," an imitation of a church organ on the violin, "Sunburnt Salome" in Italian dialect, and an unfamiliar song. The other imitations of various instruments also won favor.

Warren and Blanchard in second place on the Colonial's bill were a big hit, on Tuesday afternoon, being forced to "bow" out many times.

The blackface character of Mr. Warren so naturally audience lauded until there was no laughter left. His "conion wrench" was a tremendous hit, and it went as high as ever. The songs were "Honey, Won't You Let Me Be Your Turtle Dove?" "Let Us Be Sweethearts Again," "My Southern Rose," "I'm Leaning for Some One to Love Me," "Love Me, Honey, and the World Is Mine," "I Just Can't Make My Eyes Behave," "Just One Sweet Girl" and "He's a Cousin of Mine," the latter being rendered in German for an encore.

Nora Bayes and Jack Norworth (Colonial) repeated their hit at the other houses and their songs and acts were as highly enjoyed as since their joint performance. Miss Bayes exhibited another gown variation, this time being quite the most daring she has yet worn. It was a moist clinging pink satin princess at tail, cut dcolleté, with a half glimpse of white and black lace running on an angle from her left shoulder. A "streak" of black heading ran from under the right arm pit straight down the side to her hip, where it ended in a big round "spot." Streamers with tasseled ends were attached to her right shoulder. The sleeves were of shoulder length, a black border facing each. A large black picture hat completed the attire.

Brown and Shafter (Keith and Proctor's 125th Street) were enjoyable in song and dance, their selections including "I'm the Henroot Inspector Man," "Oh Miss Fair Jane" and "Any Old Place in Yankee Land."

Burnham and Greenwood (Keith and Proctor's 125th Street) gave a piano and singing act that scored an emphatic hit. They rendered "The Scare Crow," "Because I'm Not That Kind of a Girl," "This Place Ain't No Place for an Innocent Child" and "Baldy, Baldy, Baldy," using a spot on persons in the audience with the last named.

Potter and Dunn (Keith and Proctor's 125th Street) were thoroughly enjoyable in their musical and impersonative offering, the latter, however, bordering somewhat on imitations. The songs were "I'm the Kid That Opens Up and Closes Broadway," "Please Don't Make Me Home," "Dorando," "Wow," "Oh Joy, Shh Ahoy" and "I'm Going Away."

Donna Marry and company played the Keith and Proctor's 125th Street house last week and their act was as enjoyable as when seen at the West End the week previous.

Herbert Cyril (American Music Hall) returned to town after considerable absence and warbled several quite English songs. In fact, they were a bit too English, although cleverly written and fairly good in theme. But, nevertheless, the audience (on Thursday afternoon) failed to respond with any great show of enthusiasm. Mr. Cyril is really a very clever sort of entertainer, with a personality that should place him in the front ranks of vaudeville

artists. But at present his material is not exactly of the sort that will place him at the coveted goal. He was also hampered by being placed in second position on the bill. His songs were: "Hello, Hello, Hello, It's a Different Girl Again," "That's the Worst of Being so Beautifully Well Connected," "Say No More About It," and "When There Isn't a Girl About You Do Feel Lonely." If Mr. Cyril had a good, snappy monologue coming in between songs he would undoubtedly be a much bigger hit.

The Bowery Opera company again scored a phenomenal hit with their selections from grand operas, which included the prologue from *Figaro*, quartette from *Rigoletto*, drinking song, "O Mari, O Mari," prayer from *La Forza del Destino*, *Polonaise* from *Mignon*, song from *Martha*, "Funiculi, Funicula," and a selection from *Titania*. It is to be regretted that the names of the soloists were not given upon the programme.

Middle and Carlile were as delightfully amusing as ever when seen at the American Music Hall last week, and their act, though along the same lines necessarily as hitherto, had much that was new and refreshing. "When in Love" and "That's What the Little Boy Got" (?) were the only songs used, both winning applause.

Willie Holt Wakefield returned to town again last week, appearing at the American Music Hall to the exceptional delight of the patrons of that house. Her pianoforte was never more enjoyable than on "Thunder, Lightning and Rain," and each one of her songs were applauded most cordially, at the close the artist being obliged to respond to an encore and many bows. The selections were: "She Didn't Mind," "The Toughest and the Maid," "Stay in Your Own Backyard," "Marjorie Day" (?), "What a Spectacle," "He's My Pal," and "Dearie." Miss Wakefield wore a most fetching light summer gown that looked cool and refreshing, the pink ribbon trimmings offsetting the whiteness of the dress most becomingly. Her little "poker" bonnet and streamers was quite as effective as the many other beautiful styles of headgear which Miss Wakefield is noted for wearing.

WANT DR. COOK FOR VAUDEVILLE.

Vaudeville managers are "hot foot" after Dr. Cook, the announced discoverer of the North Pole. Martin Beck is reported to have hastened his European agent, Passport, to Copenhagen to secure the explorer for the Orpheum Circuit. Percy G. Williams, not to be outdone by Mr. Beck, has cabled Lorenzen, manager of the Scala Theatre, Copenhagen, to secure Dr. Cook at \$4000 a week, the highest salary yet paid any vaudeville artist. The outcome will be looked upon with interest, as the lecture platform will not want the end of the season and would not slim in the end more than the vaudeville stage could. Henry M. Stanley netted considerable over \$100,000 through his lectures under Major Pond's direction on one tour.

Among Agents and Producers

HENRY M. HENDERSON DIES.

Henry M. Henderson, the founder and owner of Henderson's Music Hall, Coney Island, N. Y., died last Sunday afternoon, Aug. 29, of a complication of diseases which had troubled him for the past four years. His son, Frederick B. Henderson, who has been the active manager of the Music Hall for the past few months, made a desperate attempt to reach his father's bedside before his death, arriving at the home of his parent, near Pasadena, Cal. Just a few hours too late, Mr. Henderson, Sr. had lived in California on his beautiful fruit farm for the past few seasons, where he had hoped to regain his health. He was sixty-five years of age and is survived by one son and two married daughters.

About thirty years ago Mr. Henderson began his amusement business career in Coney Island, taking up some property along the beach and converting a few old shanties into an eating place. He gradually enlarged these and put in a miniature show, which soon changed into a variety theatre. Still later this developed into a higher class form of amusement and he built his first hall upon the present site of the Henderson Music Hall. This property was destroyed by fire once, was then rebuilt and in the last Coney Island configuration it was one of the few places to withstand the flames. The present property occupied by the Music Hall is exceedingly valuable and faces on the Bowery, Henderson's Walk and Surf Avenue. It is two years since Henry M. Henderson has taken any active interest in the business. On Sunday and Monday nights, for the first time in years during the summer season, the place was closed in memory of the deceased.

AMERICAN'S REGULAR SEASON OPENS.

The regular vaudeville season at the American Music Hall began yesterday, Monday, Sept. 6, with a large bill, including fourteen acts. The Only Law, which has been alternating with the Morris vaudeville between the Roof Garden and the Music Hall, will be a feature on the roof for an indefinite period. Each week of the season at this house will be marked by the appearance of some noted "star" or headliner, either American or from abroad. Among these are announced Cecilia Loftus, Harry Lander, George Lashwood, R. A. Roberts and others.

BROOKLYN CASINO OPENED YESTERDAY.

The new Casino Theatre, Brooklyn, located at Flatbush Avenue and State Street, opened its doors for the first time yesterday, Monday, Sept. 6, with the Wine, Women and Song, a Burlesque company. The Casino is one of the handsomest of the new theatres and its exterior is of the French Renaissance type of architecture. The interior is exceedingly handsome and is of the latest type of architectural construction. Charles Daniels is the local manager. The house is on the Empire Circuit.

VAUDEVILLE THEATRE OPERATIONS.

The Orpheum Theatre, Boston, will be called the American Music Hall after Sept. 13, in accord with the policy of William Morris, Inc., lessors and managers of the house.

The Criterion Theatre, Chicago, is now a vaudeville house, having changed its policy since yesterday. Sept. 6, it is booked by the Western Vaudeville Association.

The Valencia Theatre, San Francisco, will not be given over to William Morris, Western, Inc., until Nov. 1, the Shuberts holding the house until that date. Several Shubert attractions will be presented in the house during the interim, when it will then be given over to the independent vaudeville managers. It is also reported that Walter Hoff Seely is endeavoring to secure the Princess Theatre, in Frisco, for the new Western combine. This will give them the two theatres in that city which they announced they anticipated having.

The American Music Hall, Memphis, Tenn., will open for the season next week, Sept. 13, with Morris vaudeville.

The Plaza Music Hall, New York, will open its season on Sept. 13, a big vaudeville.

The new vaudeville theatre which J. D. Woodard is erecting in Warren, Pa., is nearing completion, and will be opened within a few weeks. The bookings will be through Gus Sun and the new house will be one of the handsomest on his circuit. A high class line of amusement is promised.

The new Majestic at La Crosse, Wis., is fast approaching completion. It is hoped that the house may be opened Nov. 1. When finished it will be the finest and best equipped vaudeville house in the State outside of Milwaukee.

The New Music Hall, Seattle, Wash., opened its doors last week to capacity business. The house is one of the handsomest in the Northwest and cost nearly \$300,000. It is located at Second Avenue and Spring street, and the ground has been leased for fifteen years. The house is built of solid concrete and steel, and a special heating system has been installed whereby the air is taken out of the auditorium and replaced every four minutes. It is on the Sullivan-Comisine Circuit and will play at popular prices.

Walter Hoff Seely, director of the William Morris, Western, Inc., announces that he has selected the ground upon which the new Morris theatre in Los Angeles, Cal., will be built. Work will be begun in about a month's time.

TO BE THATCHER'S MINSTRELS.

Reich and Plunkett announce that since Eddie Leonard quit the Eddie Leonard Minstrel Show, of which they were the managers and owners, they have decided not to allow him to return again and will let him go his own way, vaudeville or elsewhere. They state that he caused them so much trouble during the brief spell of his tour under their direction that they have no desire to employ him again. The company played in Philadelphia last week and opened Monday under somewhat difficult circumstances. George Thatcher, the old-time favorite minstrel star, took Leonard's place, and since then business has picked up. The company will hereafter be known as George Thatcher's Minstrels and will be booked over Stahl and Haylin time under the latter's name.

COURTS SUNDAY BILL.

The Court Theatre, Brooklyn, had the following bill last Sunday night, Oct. 1: Joe Welch, Harry Johnson, Royal Musical Five, and Mr. and Mrs. William Moran, Moran and Lewis, and Young, Wilmer Wood, and six thousand feet of moving picture films. M. T. Middleton has been playing to big business during the week with melodrama, and the Sunday night's vaudeville has become most popular.

LAST WEEK'S BILLS.

AMERICAN MUSIC HALL.—Gardner and Ross, Herbert Cyril, Georgia Campers, Herbert Lloyd, Sophie Tucker (New Acts), Rosamay Opera company, Sager Middley and Ortiz Carlile, Henry Lee, Willie Holt Wakefield, Henry and Alice Taylor.

AMERICA MUSIC HALL.—Dark, Victoria and Hoof, Gertrude Hoffmann, Chapman, Eight Palace Girls, Ben Welch, Expression Four, Frank Carroll, Krousker Bros., Socha, McLaughlin Brothers.

KIRK AND MORROW'S FIFTH AVENUE.—Marie Dressier, Pat Rooney and Marion Bent, Geiger and Walters, Temple Quartette (New Acts), Work and Ower, Myers and Ross, Bayne's Bell Terriers, Laura Burt and Henry Stanford.

ALHAMBRA.—Louise Dresser, George Fells, Lydia Barry and company, Irene Eng, Margaret Bradford, Harry B. Lester, Will Rogers, Sue Smith, the Daleys, Eva Taylor and company.

COLONIAL (opening week).—Nora Bayes and Jack Norworth, James Harrigan, Frank Nelson and company, Howard and North, Warren and Lamont, Bradford, Badford and Winchester, Vallecita's Singers (New Acts).

HINMANSON'S MUSIC HALL (Coney Island).—Mrs. Juile Levy and Family, Tropicana, Stirling and Chapman, Six Matador, Harrison and Moore, Amsterdam Quartette, Hello Tropic, Merry Wives of Windsor, Bouton and Tillson, Gus Edwards' Messenger Boys, O'Malley and Goldies.

ORPHEUM.—Minnie Dupree, Wilfred Clark, Peter, the McNaughtons, Leona Thurber and Harry Madison, Trovato, Farrell-Taylor Trio, Netta Vesta, Lavine, Cameron Trio.

BRIGHTON BEACH MUSIC HALL.—Grace Gardner and Louise Simon, Ida Fuller, Beanie Wynn, Simple Simon, Keefe and Pearl, Fred Wilson, Ryan and White, Hickman Brothers.

NEW BRIGHTON THEATRE.—Mabel Hilt and Mike Donald, Motoring Six, English Rockers, Neapolitan Trio, Cox and Stevens, Eclipta, Goldsway Troupe, Cowboy Williams, Tops, Tops, and Tops.

FOURTH STREET.—Hoey and Walters, Iola Pomeroy and Syd Franklin, James A. Smith and co., Conway and Barnes, the Great Caldera, Will Robbins.

HURON'S MUSEUM THEATRE.—Nick Murphy and company, Musical Sherman, Lawrence Wright, Phil Brown, Lillian De Vere, Keating and Wood, and Tommy Burnette.

ATLANTIC GARDEN.—Gregory and Elmira, Harrison and Giles, Williams and White, Bassett, and Musical Burkirk company.

DALEY.—Vaudeville and Pictures.

STEAM VAUDEVILLE and Pictures.

KNIGHT.—Vaudeville and Pictures.

KNIGHT and PROCTOR'S 125TH STREET.—First half, Brown and Shafter, Burnham and Greenwood, Thomas Potter Dunn, and Donna Mary and company. Second half; Cecil Kellahan and company, the Fothercucks, Rich and Rich, the Two Hardts.

VAUDEVILLE PERFORMERS' DATES.

Performers are requested to send their dates well in advance. Blanks will be furnished on application. The names of performers with combinations are not published in this list.

Where no date is given, it will be understood that the current week is meant.

Adams, Billy—Maj., Toronto, Can.
Adelman, Joseph—Shumann, Frankfort, Ger., 1-30.
Ahearn Troupe—Coliseum, London, Eng.—indefinite.
American Dancers—Six—Orph., Los Angeles, Cal.
Amiot, Three—Cummings, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Anderson and Evans—Aldrome, Jacksonville, Fla.
Arlington Four—Orph., Frisco, 6-18.
Ave Maria—Musical—Orph., Los Angeles, Cal.
Banks—Bremen Dancers—Orph., Sioux City, Ia.
Baron, Alfred—New Castle, Pa.
Barclay and Morris—Bijou, Hancock, Mich.
Barney and Edwin—Star, Anderson, Ind.
Barnes, MacM., and Louise Reming—Maj., Denver, Colo.
Barclay and Morris—Bijou, Hancock, Mich.
Barrett, Frank—Abrams, Canton, O.
Barry, Edwin, and William Richards—Orph., Sioux City, Ia., Orph., Minneapolis, Minn., 13-18.
Basse Quartette—Bennett's, Montreal, Can.
Bateman, Tom—National, Frisco.
Bathing Girls—Orph., Oakison, Cal.
Baxter, Sidney—Bennett's, Hamilton, Can.
Bell, Chas. J.—Crystal, St. Joseph, Mo.
Berkford, Helen—Harrison, Spokane, Wash., 13-18.
Berkshire, Valerie—Orph., Butte, Mont., Orph., Spokane, Wash., 13-18.
Berliner, Vera—Mary Anderson, Louisville, Ky.
Berrian, Steve—Aldrome, Charleston, S. C.
Big City Quartette—Orph., Seattle, Wash.
Bingham, Russell—Lyric, Connellsville, Pa.
Birch, John—Orph., Memphis, Tenn., Orph., New Orleans, La., 13-18.
Black, Violet—Keith's, Boston, Keith's, Lawrence, 13-18.
Blamfield and Hehr—Lyceum, Sydney, N. S.
Boothblack Quartette—Orph., Minneapolis, Minn.
Bowers, Walter and Crooker—Keith's, Phila., Temple, Detroit, Mich., 13-18.
Bosser and Hinde—Orph., New Orleans, La.
Bridgeman—Orph., Denver, Colo.
Brad and Mahoney—Allenton, Pa., 6-8, Easton 9-11.
Bredow, J. F.—Orph., St. Paul, Minn.
Brooks, Walter Julian—Aldrome, Lawrence, Kan.
Burke and Farlow—Bijou, Eveleth, Minn.
Burke and Urine—Congress, Portland, Me.
Burns and Fulton—Keith's, Phila.
Burns and Robbins—Hillside Park, Newark, N. J.
Bush and Peyster—Brighton, Brighton Beach, N. Y., Poll's, Scranton, Pa.
Cameron, Tudor, and Bonnie Gaylord—Fulton, Bklyn.
Camille Trio—Orph., St. Paul, Minn.
Campbell, Emerin, and Aubrey Yates—Poll's, Bridgeport, Conn., Poll's, New Haven, 13-18.
Carey, Joseph—Bijou, Woonsocket, R. I.
Carroll—Orph., Indianapolis, Ind.
Carlin and Clark—Orph., Butte, Mont.
Carrollton and Van—Lyric, Houston, Tex.
Chant—Pavilion, Glasgow, Scot., 20-25, Empire, Edinburgh, 27-Oct., 2.
Charbino, Chas.—Orph., St. Paul, Minn.
Chase and Carma—Fandette, Boone, Ia.
Chinko—Circus Carré, Amsterdam, Holland, 1-15.
Sealbin, Braunschweig, Ger., 16-30.
Christmas at Higgins—Maj., Chgo.
Clarke, Wilfred—Orph., Bklyn.
Clayton, Una—Temple, Detroit, Mich., Maj., Chgo., 13-18.
Clemens Bros.—Jefferson, Memphis, Tenn.
Cline, Maggie—Grand, Pittsburgh.
Clipper Comedy Four—Empire, Washington, D. C.
Clifford Comedy Quartette—Maj., Kalamazoo, Mich.
Collins and Brown—Shea's, Buffalo, N. Y., Shea's, Toronto, Can., 8-13.
Consul—Americans, N. Y. C.—indefinite.
Cooper, John W.—Olympia, Lynn, Mass.
Crosby and Welch—Orph., Frisco.
Crowley and Dell—Auditorium, Lynn, Mass.
Cumings, Grace—Family, Moline, Ill.
Cunningham and Marion—Orph., Frisco, Orph., Oakland, 13-18.
Cutty, Musical—Wintergarten, Berlin, Aug. 17-Sept. 30.
Cyclone, Brunettes—Empire, Toledo, O.
Dowell, Natalie and Aurié—Keith's, Columbus, O., Grand, Syracuse, N. Y., 13-18.
Dale and Bore—Orph., Allenton, Pa., Orph., Reading, 13-18.
D'Arcy's Marionettes—Palace, London, Eng., Aug. 2-Sept. 14.
Day, Carita—Queen, San Diego, Cal.
Dasic, Mille—Shea's, Buffalo, N. Y., Shea's, Toronto, 13-18.
De Cotet and Rego—Electric, Big Springs, Tex.
De Faye Sisters—Fulton, Bklyn.
De Veau, Hubert—Star, Monessen, Pa.
De Veau, Weil—Pantages, Seattle, Wash.—indefinite.
De Witt, Burns and Torrance—Bennett's, Ottawa, Can., Bennett's, Hamilton, 13-18.
Delmore, Oneida and Mille, Lunette—Dreamland, Coney Island, N. Y.
Dennis, Four—Empire, Hoboken, N. J.
Dennison and Rogers—Bijou, Huron, S. D.
Denslow, Leon—Chas., Washington, D. C.
Denslow and Wolford—Fontaine Ferry, Louisville, Ky.
Downey, Leslie T.—Crystal, Oconomowoc, Wis.—indefinite.
Dressler, Marie—Keith's, Phila.
Duncan, A. O.—Orph., Easton, Pa., 6-8, Orph., Allentown, 9-11, Orph., Norfolk, 13-18.
Duncan and Hoffman—Grand, Columbia, S. C.
Dunedin Troupe—Exhibition, Toronto, Can.
Eckert and Berg—Keith's, Cleveland, O.
El Coto—Orph., Allentown, Pa.
Ellis-Nowlan Troupe—Orph., St. Paul, Minn.
Emerson, Guy and Margie—Orph., Frisco.
Ephraim, George W.—Coney Island, Cint.
English Belle—Lyric, John, Mo.
Ernest, Three—Poll's, Bridgeport, Conn.
Finger, Mabelle E.—Aldrome, Chattanooga, Tenn., Grand, Columbia, S. C., 13-18.
Gambrils Sisters—Casino, Lucerne, Switzerland—indefinite.
Fredeen, D.—Orph., St. Paul, Minn.
Fiddler and Sheldon—Orph., Lincoln, Neb.
Fields, Will H.—Wonderland, Minneapolis, Minn.
FIELDS, W. C.—Coliseum, London, May 24—indefinite.
Finney, The—White City, Chgo.
FISHER, MR. AND MRS. PERKINS—Hudson, Union Hill, N. J., 13-18.
Flanagan, Agnes—Family, Kane, Pa., 6-8, Fam.
Flynn, Earl—Lagoon Park, Cint., O.

Fostell and Emmett—Lynn, Lynn, Mass.
Fox, Margaret H.—Orph., Pensacola, Fla.
Frederick, Helena—Orph., Sioux City, Ia., 13-18.
Frey Twins—Cook's, Rochester, N. Y.
Frobol and Hugo—Maj., Butte, Mont.
Gabriel, Kid—Keith's, Phila., Cuase's, Washington, D. C., 13-18.
Gallimore, Arthur—Hippodrome, Belfast, Ireland, 13-18, Tivoli, Dublin, 20-25.
Gardner, Eddie—Blaney's, Balto., Md.
Gardner, Georgia—Kenyon, Allegheny, Pa., American, Toledo, O., 13-18.
Gardner and Stoddard—Lincoln Park, Worcester, Mass.
Gardner and Bee—American, N. Y. C.
Gavin and Platt—Grand, Syracuse, N. Y.
Geiger and Walters—Broadway, Camden, N. J.
Georgia Campers—Empire, Houston, N. J.
Gerals, Musical—West End, New Orleans, La.
Givings, Claude—Orph., Minneapolis, Minn., 6-18.
Gloss, Augusta—Keith's, Prov., B. I.
Godfrey, Hal—Orph., St. Paul, Minn.
Goforth and Doyle—Orph., Rockford, Ill.
Goldsmith and Hoppe—Orph., New Orleans, La.
Goolmans, Musical—Temple, Ft. Wayne, Ind.
Gordon, Belle—Auditorium, Lynn, Mass.
Gordon and Marx—Grand, Evansville, Ind.
Grimm and Satchell—Maj., Detroit, Mich.
Gruettin, Louis—Keith's, Phila.
Hallen and Hayes—Proctor's, Albany, N. Y., Hampton and Bassett—Aldrome, Harrisburg, III.
Hanion and Clifton—Jefferson, Memphis, Tenn.
Harice, Pauline—Wonderland, Boston.
Hermonton Four—Gen., St. Louis.
Hicks and Goss—Orph., Lima, O.
Hathaway—Belle—Auditorium, Lynn, Mass.
Hawaiian Trio—Washington, Spokane, Wash.
Hayden, Virginia—Dempsey's, Peoria, Ill.
Hayes and Johnson—Orph., Frisco.
Hayman and Franklin—Hippodrome, Belfast, Ireland, 6-11, Empire, Bristol, Eng., 13-18.
Palace, Manchester, 20-25, Pavilion, Glasgow, Scot., 27-Oct., 2.
Helena, Edith—Jefferson, Memphis, Tenn.
Hem Childrem—Chase's, Washington, D. C.
Henry and Young—Sheppot Park, Wilmington, Del.
Hill, Cherry and Hill—Colonial, N. Y. C.
Hillman, George—Orph., Denver, Colo.
Hoffmann, Gertrude—Hammerstein's, N. Y. C.—indefinite.
Horton and La Trinita—Trent, Trenton, N. J., Maj., Johnston, Pa., 13-18.
Howard Bros.—Bennett's, Hamilton, Ind.
Howard, Bros.—Bennett's, Hamilton, Can., Moore's, Rochester, N. Y., 13-18.
Howard and Howard—Orph., Butte, Mont., 13-18.
Hughes Musical Trio—Orph., Spokane, Wash., Orph., Seattle, 13-18.
Hubert, Laura—American, Cint., O.
Hume, Frank—Electric Park, Balto., Md.
Hyams and McIntyre—Orph., Frisco.
Inness and Ryan—Four Mile Creek, Erie, Pa.
Jerome and Hunter—Park, Bangor, Me.
Johnson, L. T.—Bijou, Oshkosh, Wis.
Johnson, Musical—Orph., Salt Lake City, U. S., 6-18.
Jolly and Wild—Maj., Milwaukee, Wis.
Joy, Josephine—Auditorium, Lynn, Mass.
Johnson, John—Orph., St. Paul, Minn.
Kaufman, Minnie—Circus Carré, Amsterdam, Holland, 1-15, Saalbau, Braunschweig, Germany, 16-30.
Kaufman, Reba and Ipsa—Empire, Johannesburg, South Africa, July 17-Oct. 1.
Kaufman and Kenilworth—Vendome, Houston, Tex.
Keatons, Three—Bennett's, Hamilton, Can., Bennett's, Ottawa, 13-18.
Kelley and Catlin—Howard, Boston, Mass.
Kent, Louise—Crystal, Pueblo, Colo.
Kessner, Ira—Poll's, Bridgeport, Conn.
King, Al J.—Whitney, Bennington, Vt.
King and Mason—O. H., Paragould, Ark.
Kleis, Musical—Bijou, Perth Amboy, N. J.
Kohler and Adams—Galely, Danville, Va.
Kolb and Miller—Lyric, Ft. Smith, Ark.
Kolton and Kilton—Lyric, Hot Springs, Ark.
Kramer, Annie and Mandie—Empire, Glasgow, Scot., 6-11, Empire, Liverpool, Eng., 13-18.
Empire, Birmingham, 20-25, Pavilion, Eng., Maj., 13-18.
Kurtis-Busse—Crystal, St. Joseph, Mo.
La Cendra and La Rue—Unique, Phila.
Lacey, Will—Young's Pier, Atlantic City, N. J., Lang and May—Atlantic Garden, Atlantic City, N. J., 13-18.
La Petite Reine—Orph., Los Angeles, Cal., 6-18.
La Rex and La Rex—Unique, Phila.
La Valls, The—Grand, Birmingham, Eng., 6-11, New Cross 13-18.
LASKY'S BIRDLAND—Brighton, Brighton Beach, N. Y., 13-18.
Lasky's At the Country Club—Orph., Frisco, 6-18.
Lasky's At the Waldorf—Keith's, Phila.
Laveau, Mr. and Mrs. W. A.—Dighton Park, Dighton, Mass.
Lawn Bros.—National, Frisco, 6-18.
Lean, Ocelli, and Florence Holbrook—Keith's, Boston.
Leighton, Three—Orph., St. Paul, Minn., Lila—Orph., Salt Lake City, U.
Leo, Arthur—Hippodrome, Charleston, W. Va.
Leonard, Chas. F.—Steeplechase, Atlantic City, N. J., 13-18.
Leslie, Bert—Bennett's, Montreal, Can.
Lewis, Chas. T.—Maryland, Balto., Md.
Lewis and Harr—Highland Park, Winsted, Conn.
Litchfield, Mr. and Mrs. Neil—Crystal, Denver, Colo., Crystal, Pueblo, 13-18.
Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh—Grand, Sacramento, Cal.
Lockett, Mattie—Keith's, Phila.
Lunde and Tilly—Orph., Denver, Colo.
Luce and Luce—Poll's, Scranton, Pa.
Lukens' Ponies—Garrison, Norristown, Pa.
Lyman, Wilbur—Orph., Star, Winkler—Orph., Oak Island, Cal., Orph., Los Angeles, 13-18.
Madison Square Four—Princess, St. Johns, N. B., Majestic Musical Four—Proctor's, Newark, N. J., Marriott Twins—Luna Park, Scranton, Pa.
Marshall Bros.—Bijou, Perth Amboy, N. J., Marshall and King—Follies Berger, Mexico City, Mex.—indefinite.
Marshall's, The—Bijou, Pawtucket, R. I.
Martha, Mille—Bijou, Duluth, Minn.
McLarens, Musical—Temple, Detroit, Mich.
McAllife, Jere—Auditorium, Lynn, Mass.
McAvoy, Dick and Alice—Miles, Minneapolis, Minn., 13-18.
McKinnon, John—Orph., New Orleans, La.
McConnell and Simpson—Orph., Kansas City, Mo., Maj., Des Moines, Ia., 13-18.
McCord and Lewis—Trent, Trenton, N. J., McEvitt and Kelly—Queens, San Diego, Cal.
McDonald Trio—Maj., St. Paul, Minn.
McDowell, John and Alice—Keeney's, Bklyn.
McKay and Cantwell—Orph., New Orleans, La., Middleton Gladys—Pantages', Frisco.
Miller, Louis E.—Orph., Tampa, Fla.
Millard Bros.—Fulton, Bklyn.
Moffett and Clare—Orph., Denver, Colo.
Montgomery, Ray, and Healey Sisters—Orph., Sioux City, Ia.
Moran and Wiser—Lieblich's, Breslau, Germany, 13-18, Varieté, Prague, Austria, Oct. 1-31.
Morris and Morton—Bijou, Duluth, Minn., 13-18.

Morris and Foreman—Keith's, Syracuse, N. Y., Shea's, Buffalo, 13-18.
Mozart, The—Temple, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Murphy and Whitman—National, Frisco, Bell, Oakland, 13-18.
Murray, Elizabeth M.—Maj., Cedar Rapids, Ia.
Myosotis Sisters—Orph., Seattle, Wash.
Neapolitanas, The—Keith's, Prov., B. I.
Neff and Starr—Maj., Johnstown, Pa.
Nible's Birds—Hippodrome, Crouch End, Eng., 6-11, Aquarium, Scarborough, 13-18.
Norman, Marv—Orph., Spokane, Wash.
Nosses, Musical—Grand, Pittsburgh, New Brighton, 13-18.
O'Neill, The—Auditorium, Lynn, Mass.
Osborne, Chas. H.—Orph., Scranton, Pa.
Palace Girls—Hammerstein's, N. Y. C.
Painter, Kathryn Rose—Orph., Denver, Colo.
Pantzer, Lena and Mint—Orph., Los Angeles, Cal.
Pauline—Fulton, Bklyn.
Peter, Frank L.—Bijou, La Crosse, Wis., Miles, Minneapolis, Minn., 13-18.
Perry and White—Orph., Evansville, Ind.
Peter—Orph., Bklyn.
Piracissos, Seven—Jefferson, Memphis, Tenn.
Potts Bros.—Auditorium, Lynn, Mass.
Quick, Mr.—Chase's, Washington, D. C.
Quinlan and Mack—Orph., Kansas City, Mo., Ramsey Sisters—Maj., Canon City, Colo.
Raaf, Claude—Arena, Chgo.
Rafters—American, New Orleans, La.
Rawls and Von Kaufman—Baratoga, Chgo.
Raymond, Ruby—Orph., Salt Lake City, U.
Rayno's Dogs—Keith's, Chgo.
Reed—George—Orph., Salt Lake City, U.
Reed, John F.—Queen, San Diego, Cal.
Reed and Donnell—Dempsey—Maj., Chgo.
Rianos, Four—Shea's, Buffalo, N. Y., Shea's, Toronto, Can., 13-18.
Rice and Ody—Rock Springs, E., Liverpool, O., Ritter, Max, and Grace Foster—Paris, France, 6-Oct., 2.
Rivoli, Casser—Jefferson, Memphis, Tenn.
Roberts and Dowey—Pantages', Seattle, Wash.
Rohey, Max—Keith's, Prov., B. I.
Rockway and Conway—Hathaway's, New Bedford, Mass.
Ross, Eddie G.—Orph., Spokane, Wash.
Rostow—American, New Orleans, La.
Rubens, Max—Orph., Oakland, Cal.
Rubin, Bijou—Pavilion, Liverpool, Eng.
RYAN, THOMAS J. AND MARY RICH—FILED—Vaud-Villa, Saville, L.
Sanford, John—Maj., Denver, Colo., 13-18.
Savoy and Savoy—Empire, Tampa, Fla.
Schultze—Galely, Indianapolis, Ind.
Scott and Wilson—Temple, Detroit, Mich.
Scott and Davis—Grand, Sacramento, Cal.
Selbina Venus—Temple, Detroit, Mich.
Shepherd, Bert—Bijou, Superior, Wis.
Sherman and De Forest—Proctor's, Newark, N. J., Sherman and De Forest—Pavilion, Newark, N. J., Shirley, Jessie—Orph., Seattle, Wash.
Sidle's, Art—Robinson, Cint., O.
Siddons and Earle—Howard, Boston.
Silbans—Cata—Bennett's, Hamilton, Can.
Simmons, Great—Maj., St. Louis, Ill.
Siney's Dogs—Orph., Canteen—Folies Bergere, Mexico City, Mex.—indefinite.
Simular, Marie—Grand, Portland, Ore.
Silvers—Bijou—Orph., Herkimer, N. Y.
Smith, Allen—Star, Seattle, Wash.
Smith, Chas. Cecil—Crystal, Tulsa, Okla.
Smith and La Rose—Oakford Park, Greensburg, Pa.
Solar, Willie—Orph., Memphis, Tenn.
Spaulding and Riego—Orph., Portland, Ore.
Spradlin Bros.—Orph., Allentown, Pa.
Sprague and Dixon—Bijou, Bayonne, N. J.
Stafford, Frank, and Marie Stone—Palace, London, Eng., 6-Oct., 2.
Stagepools, Four—Grand, Tacoma, Wash.
Stanley, Edmund—Orph., Harrisburg, Pa.
Steyer, Julian—Maj., Milwaukee, Wis., Maj., 13-18.
Steinert, Thomas Trio—Bijou, Orange, N. J.
Stopp, Mehlberg and King—Orph., Omaha, Neb.
Stevens, Edwin—Maj., Chgo.
Stewart, Fred—Palace, London, Eng., Aug. 30-Oct., 9.
Stuart—Casino, Buenos Aires, South America, June 15-Sept., 16.
Sunny South—Orph., Evansville, Ind.
Sutcliffe Troupe—Empire, Nottingham, Eng., 6-11, Palace, Hull, 13-18, Hippodrome, Norwich, 20-25, Hippodrome, Ipswich, 27-Oct., 2.
SABEL, JOSEPHINE—Apollo, Vienna, Austria, Aug., 1-Sept., 30, Favaron Orpheum, Budapest, Hungary, Oct., 1-31.
Talbot, Edith—O. H., Waterville, Me.
Taylor, Mae—Chattanooga, Tenn., Rome, Ga., 13-18.
Taylor Twins—Bijou, Orange, N. J., Theatrical Comedy Four—Grand, Colorado Springs, Colo., 13-18.
Tempest and Sunshine—Orph., Minneapolis, Minn.
Thornton, George A.—Maryland, Balto., Md.
Tomkins, William—Avalon, Avalon, Cal., Aug. 2-Sept., 26.
Top of the World Ballet—Chase's, Washington, D. C.
Torcas and Flor D'Alisa—Marigny, Paris, France, 6-Oct., 2.
Trussell, Howard—Keith's, Phila.
Tuscani, Troubadour—Orph., Butte, Mont.
Usher, Claude and Fannie—Chase's, Washington, D. C., Maj., Johnston, Pa., 13-18.
Vanadium, Tanz—Orph., Tacoma, Wash.
Van, Billy—Orph., New Orleans, La., Vanderville, Mobile, Ala., 13-18.
Van, Charles and Fannie—Maryland, Balto., Md., Van Cleve, Denton and Pete—Chase's, Washington, D. C., 13-18.
Van Hove—Criterion, Chgo., Columbia, St. Louis, 13-18.
Vardon, Perry and Wilber—King's, Southsea, Eng., 6-11, Hippodrome, Birmingham, 13-18.
Verdi, Joe—Maj., Butte, Mont.
Veronica and Hurle Falls—Celoron Park, Jamestown, N. Y.
Vivians, Two—Celoron Park, Jamestown, N. Y., Wagner and Gray—Orph., Lima, O.
Walsh and Lynch—Colonial, Norfolk, Va., Trenton, N. J., 13-18.
Walton Troupe—Orph., Seattle, Wash.
Waters, Tom—Orph., Portland, Ore.
Webber, Chas. D.—Orph., Portland, Ore.
Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J.—Bijou—Superior, Wis., 13-18.
Westworth, Vesta and Teddy—Alhambra, N. Y., Keith's, Boston, 13-18.
Whitman, Frank—Ramona Park, Grand Rapids, Mich., 13-18.
Willifson and Stonsker—Star, Seattle, Wash.
Wilson, George—Jefferson, Memphis, Tenn.
Winters Comedy Four—Acker's, Halifax, N. S., Woodward, Harry—Orph., St. Paul, Minn.
Woodman, Harry—Orph., St. Paul, Minn.
Woods and Woods—Orph., Denver, Colo.
Woodward, Ed and May—Orph., Brockton, Mass.
Wortette, Estelle—Dominion, Winnipeg, Can., Woodward, Estelle—Dominion, Winnipeg, Can., 13-18.
Work and Ower—Maj., Johnstown, Pa.
WORLD, JOHN W. AND WENDELL KINGSTON—Orph., Oakland, Cal., Orph., Los Angeles, 13-25.
WORTHLEY, Abbott and Minthorne—Orph., Omaha, Neb.

Yerza, Ernest—East End, Memphis, Tenn.
Yolo, Alta—Mozart, Elmhira, N. Y., Family, Lancaster, Pa., 13-18.
Younger Bros.—Orph., Chillicothe, O.
Yule and Simpson—Fantasy's, Calgary, Can.
Zanore and Berg—Exposition Rio de Janeiro, Brasil, S. A., July 12-Sept., 30.
Zasell and Vernon—Central, Chemnitz, Ger., 1-15.
Zech and Zech—Crystal, Denver, Colo.

VAUDEVILLE CORRESPONDENCE.

CHICAGO.

A bountiful cornucopia of goods acts was poured out on the Majestic stage by Manager Lynn Glover this week, and attendance was immense day and night. Helena Frederick sang beautifully in the little opera, *The Patriot*, seen under less favorable circumstances at the Olympic last season, and Huntington May was impressive vocally and in acting as George Washington. The other parts were well sung and acted by William Schuster, Paris Hippie, Fred Hanley, John Rogers, and J. B. Prentiss. The Switch, with Margaret Moffat, Senda, the Polish Martiniette, Stepmother, King and Queen, Clark Martiniette and Joe Sylvester. Other good acts were George W. Jones and Beg N. Neely, Albert L. Pelleton and William Foras, Frank Richards and Louis Montrose. The act of Ethel and Emma Hopkins was good scenically and vocally. At the Majestic this week: Minnie Belligan and William Bramwell, Winona Winter, Birdland, Frank and Jessie Latona, Harry Fox and Milierson Sisters, Eddie Reynolds and Nellie Donegan, Last of the Regiment, Howard's Animal Novelty, Arthur Whitehead, Christmas at Higgins, and others. The American Music Hall this week was there with another good bill, with a number of novelties. The bill this week includes Max Beyer, Maurice Levi, William Dillon, Empire City Quartette, the Chamberlains, Austin Brothers, Cartmel and Harris, and Lafayette's dogs. Manager Max Weber, owner of the Columbus and the Alhambra theatres, has added a third to his string. The Trocadero. He has changed the Columbus, and is planning especial programmes for both in the near future. The Alhambra is playing burlesques for the present—the bookings of the Trocadero.

The Criterion becomes a vaudeville house of the Western Association beginning next week, and thus another house of melodrama vanishes. On the opening bill are Adams and Alida, Galimberti ballet dancers, Olive Valli, and the Empire Comedy Four.

WASHINGTON.

Chase's bill for Labor Day week presents The Top of the World with the famous Collie Ballet, both included in the fairy fantasy, *Kris Kringle's Dream*; "Silvers" Oakley, the clown; Claude and Fannie Usher, the *Heim Juvelies*; Leo Donnelly, Mr. Quick, Van Cleve, Denton and Pete.

The Columbian Burlesques, with two burlesques, Vacation Days and The \$10,000 Prize, at the Gaiety Theatre, presenting features in the Dancing Butters, the Devil on Art, the Clipper Comedy Four, and the Jessie Keller Troupe of Six Bicycle Riders.

The Merry Maidens are billed to appear at the New Lyceum Theatre in two burlesques, Cafe Boulevard and At Coney Island, written and staged by Sam Bee, who will play the principal comedy role in both. The old will present Tatti Carney, the Broadway Comedy Four, Teller and Burton, and Nevine and Edward. Miss Woodrow is featured as the Girl with the Diamond Dress.

PHILADELPHIA.

At Keith's, Aug. 30-6, Maurice Freeman was the headliner in *Tony and the Sirens*. Others were: Emma Francis and Her Arabs, Jessie Lasky's Pianofluids, Fred Dupres, Scott and Wilson, Max York, Boudin and Quinn, John J. Sullivan and Clark Pasquella, and the Three Redskins.

In the burlesque houses were presented The Brigadiers at the Trocadero, The College Girls at the Casino, Trocadero Burlesques at the Gaiety, and Miss New York, Jr., at the Bijou.

PITTSBURGH.

This week's bill at the Grand was an entrancing one, with Julius Steers and co. presenting *The Way to the Heart*, as the headliner. The act of Lawrence Crane and co. The Den of Mystery, was a clever bit of ledgerman, and some of the other acts "made good." The forthcoming week's programme follows: Nellie Waring, Maggie Cline, Eddie Leonard and His Minstrel co., Homer Lind and co., Wormwood's dogs and monkeys, Six Musical Notes, T. Nelson Downs, Four Lollards, and Tossing Austin. The New Kenyon Theatre, situated on the North Side, will inaugurate its season on Labor Day, under the management of Mittenthal Brothers, and booked by William Morris, Inc. The bill announced follows: Fred Karno's London Comedy co. in *A Night in a London Music Hall*, McWatters and Tyson, Abby Mitchell, Reed Sisters, Georgia Gardner and co., and Adams and Taylor. The scale of prices ranges from 15 cents to \$1.

Eugene Connally, who presides over the "Publicity Bureau" of the Harry Davis' Enterprises, has returned from a well-earned vacation, and is now diligently engaged in his extensive work.

BALTIMORE.

A high-class vaudeville bill will be presented next week at the Maryland, headed by Carter Haver, who was seen here last winter as George Cohen's substitute, when the latter was ill. Eddie Reger and his co. in *The Telltale Heart*, George Felix, Lydia Barry and Her Two Sisters, Charles and Fannie Van, Emma Francis and Her Arabs, Crawford and Monroe will also be in the bill.

PORTLAND, ME.—Riverton Park (J. W. Green)—Mr. R. H. Smith, res., mgr., 1: 30-4: 30-4. Excepting matinees, the park has been too cold for good attendance; and therefore, this is wind up week. The vaudeville bill offered: Three Navaros, Ott Brothers, Milt Carris, McFadden, Pinto, and Dill and Ward—Congress (Emil H. Gerstel, mgr.), 1: 30-4: Mr. and Mrs. William P. Burt, W. T. Felton, Derva, De Leon, Yessa Trio, Little Margaret Smith, and Mathew Hanlon to excellent business.

BOSTON.

Keith's will have a strong Labor Day bill next week, presenting Cecil Leon and Florence Holbrook, Fred Lindsay, Violet Black and co., Byron and Langdon, the Three Bohemians, Weston and Paerison Brothers, and new moving pictures.

The Great Star and Garter Show will be the attraction for the holiday week at the Gaiety.

and co., Shayne and King, the Four Masons, the Carroll-Gillette Troupe, and Corinne Franklin opened the vaudeville season to big business.

HOBOKEN, N. J.—Lyric Theatre (Grant S. Briggs, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Gus Edwards' Night Birds, De Vol Trio, Earl and Curtis, Ettlinge and Keogh, Kane Sisters, Richards and Grover, and De Haven and Whithay.

PORTSMOUTH, O.—Majestic (Strauss and Frowine, lessors; Floyd Lewis, mgr.): The Majestic opened Aug. 30 with a very good bill and played to capacity business.—Orpheum (Sun and Murray, lessors; R. R. Russell, mgr.): The Orpheum opened 30 with an excellent bill and played to a capacity business.

LINCOLN, NEB.—The Orpheum, formerly the Majestic, has been made ready for the opening Aug. 30, and advanced sale predicts capacity for first week. The opening bill is Kate Watson and Gus Cohan, Quinian and Mack, Martini and Maximilian, Tempest and Sunshine Trio, Clark and Bergman, the Laike Bros., the Bounding Gordons.

SPokane, WASH.—Robert H. Congrove, manager of the Spokane Interstate Fair Association, announces these vaudeville attractions for the Fair in Spokane 30-31: Madame Marquette and her Horas, Velare and Clash, Singers and tight rope walkers; the Three McGillicuddy Brothers; the Potter Family; Devore and Brothers; O'Hara, in colors; Paul Gremory's Bears and Great Danes; the Orion Troupe; Fravolo, with great milk can trick; Madame Hilda Caroli and her ballet. There will also be airship races in \$1000 in purses, five entries being guaranteed for every afternoon. The Siege of Jericho, with three hundred actors, will be presented on a stage 800 by 800 feet every evening during the Fair. Thirty-five thousand dollars will be distributed in premiums for live stock and agricultural exhibits and there will be a week of racing for purses totaling \$15,000. The Orpheum Theatre celebrated its first anniversary the week of Aug. 22, when Joseph A. Miller, manager, presented a strong bill in which Margaret Fealy and co. and Murray and Mack divided honors as headliners. Both scored. Others were Rosalie Guerrero and L. Pagliari, Tom Waters, Weber, Christine La Barrague, Spaulding and Riego, and the pictures. Capacity. The Five Merry McGregors scored in a novel act at the Washington Theatre. Others: Jack G. McAllan and May Carson, Florence Modeno and Charles H. Gardner, Bismarck and Newman, Fio Paterson and the moving pictures. Big business. Nellie and co. presenting a spectacle called "The Nymph of the Woods" were featured at the Pantagore Theatre. Others were the Markee Brothers, John Justice, Ethel Bonney and co., the Doric Trio, the Three Demons, W. D. Gilson, and the pictures. Big business.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—Young's Pier Theatre (W. E. Shakford, mgr.): Bess Harris Vaudeville on Aug. 30-4, including Carrie De Mar, Le Titeou, Madden and Fitzpatrick, the Kelly Family, Sid Horner's Minstrels, Harrold and Wood, and Lorne and Payne; good business.

—Criterions (W. Barrett, mgr.): 30-4: McWatson and Tyson, Frans Meisel, Franchette and Robertson, Lawrence and Harrington, Gilbert and Bates, and Greenfield and Schwartz.

ALTOONA, PA.—Orpheum Theatre (H. B. Poll, res. mgr.): Season opened Aug. 30 with Walter McElroy, Tom Fletcher, Madden and Nugent, Barro and Milo, the Standard Four; business big all week.

ORANGE, N. J.—Bijou Theatre: Opened the season Aug. 30 with Billy K. Wells, John and Alice McDowell, the Musical Kriesses, the Carreras, Alice Carey.

ALLENTON, PA.—Orpheum: Season will open with new management. Fred Oster, present manager, will be general manager of the Orpheum, continuing with the Orpheum at Easton, and Charles Bierbauer will succeed Sam Meyers as resident manager. The stage will be under the control of Albert Dantzer. Programme will be changed twice a week.

FORT DODGE, IA.—Magic Theatre (H. Speer, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Musical Wilsons and moving pictures to more than capacity houses.

—The Vampire (Lee Barnstone, mgr.): Harvey and Sweet 30-1 opened to big business.

MISSOURI, MONT.—The Family (Dell Bell, mgr.): Will open as a vaudeville house Aug. 30. Princess Tarpsa, Atlantis and Fish, and Hazel Biedet.

DEARBORN, ILL.—Union Park Theatre (Jake Rosenthal, mgr.): Jake Sternad's New Orpheum Minstrels and Japanese Troupe Aug. 22-28 played to excellent attendance. Anna Woodward, R. H. Erlinger, and Alta Dickenson 30-4.

MALAMAZOO, MICH.—Majestic (H. W. Grot, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Billy Morris and Sherman Sisters, Herbert Brown and Helen Powell, Richard Lynch, and Joseph Callahan; splendid bill.

LAWRENCE, MASS.—Colonial: 6-11: Barnes, Lancaster and co., Simmons and White, Hilda Hawthorne, Harry Decos, Phil Staats, the Two Harts, and Mangan Troupe.

BANGOR, ME.—The Gaiety (Stephen Burnett, mgr.): Aug. 22-28: Mantilla, Ethel Barr and co., Caryl Monroe, Stevens and Leroy, and the Woodwards. 30-4: George Winfield and co., Blackie dogs and monkeys, Dunc Sisters, Great Minstrel, and Jerome and Hunter. 6-11: Bush, Hamblet, and Fox, and Sandow and Lambeth; attendance good.—Ackens Theatre (Ackens and Blood, mgr.): 22-28: Johnson Brothers and Johnson, Guy Bartlett and co., the Monstors, Burke and Uriles, and Musical Irving. 30-4: Harry Batten and co., the Mason Four, Harry Newman, Tiny Williams, and Basson and Sims. 6-11: Scottish Fout, Darra De Leon and Yocca, Felton, Shaw and Robinson, and Colita Le Page; full houses.

DELAWARE, O.—Theatatorium (Frost and Herman, mgr.): Aug. 22-3: Gertie Richie, Colb and Miller, the Norwoods, and Marie Wiley pleased fair business.

PRORIA, ILL.—Main Street (E. C. Burroughs, res. mgr.): House opened 6 with Ah Ling Foo, Five Lavilla Girls, the Belmonts, Macanies and Conwell, West and Van Sickle, May Snow, and Earl Kirdella's comedy dogs; house has been thoroughly overhauled.

BAYONNE, N. J.—Bijou (Felber and Shea, mgrs. Bert D. Howard, res. mgr.): Opened its season Aug. 31 to big business. Haviland and Stern, the Weber Family, Welch and Maitland, Harvey Smith Trio, Ballo Brothers, and Neil Parker; excellent bill.

JONESBORO, ARK.—Majestic (Collins and Bridges, mgrs.): Vaudeville and John Collier in illustrated songs.

RICHMOND, VA.—Colonial (J. A. Sayer, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Howell and Webster, Powers and Freed, and Morgan and Chester to capacity.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Dominion (W. B. Lawrence, mgr.): Aug. 22-28: Lafayette's dogs, Martini Band, Francesca Redding and co., Scott and Whaley, Hamadell and Sisters, Walter

James, and Adams and Mack; good business. 30-4: Mille, Marcella's trick birds, Warren and Brockway, Carmell and Harris, May Boily, Austin Brothers and co., the Chamberlins, and William Dillon.

HAZELTON, PA.—Palace (Joe J. Laughran, prop. and mgr.): Aug. 30-4: New York Comedy Troupe, Kaskela and Franks, Ruby Gold, Comer, Von Kaskela, and Frank, Harry Gold, and Three Deltons to good business.—Family (Knoblauch and Hensker, prop.): H. Hensker, res. mgr.): Will open 18. The house has been entirely remodeled, increasing the seating capacity and enlarging the stage.

CANTON, O.—Orpheum (Sun and Murray, lessors; Fred Hilton, mgr.): Opened Aug. 30-4: Harry Gold and Smith, Sami Brooks and Carlson pleased.—Lake Park Theatre (H. B. Metz, mgr.): 30-4: The Comers, Florence Arnould, Leonard and Georges, George Pettengill, Josephine Gassman and Picka, the Six Musical Sons pleased good business.

CHEYENNE, WYO.—The Atlas (Thomas Heaney, prop. and mgr.): Aug. 22-28: DeChambeau Twins, the Torley, Let Begez and co. pleased good business. 30-4: W. S. Kelly, Murray's Dog Show, Busch Brothers.

ESCANABA, MICH.—The Bijou (A. E. Atkinson, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Sylvester and co. illustrated songs, and motion pictures, pleasing big business.

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y.—Theatre (M. Low, prop. J. L. Lee, mgr.): Aug. 30-1: W. C. Hooper and co., May Dillon, Mildred Morris and co., Harry Le Mar, Lewis and Young, Carmen Sisters, 2-4: De Vol Trio, Charles B. Dayton, Hazel and Hawkins, Broadway Boys, Connelly and Curtis, Musical Dave, Elm and Spencer, Joseph Maxwell and co.; business good.—Item: William Everett, treasurer, has returned from a two weeks' vacation.

HARTFORD, CONN.—Poli's (S. S. Poll, prop. G. N. Hanscomb, mgr.): Packed houses all the week of Aug. 22-28; a pleasing bill in which Russell Brothers and Belle Blanche were the topliners.—Seaside (H. C. Young, mgr.): An attractive programme consisting of Harry Hanson, Jean Mortman, Joe Mole, Katherine Ryan, Marion Marshall and novel pictures driven full houses 30-4.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y.—Pond (John C. Graul, lessor; Henry H. Freck, mgr.): Aug. 22-28: Frank Sherlock, Jean Van Dale, Ford and Miller, Francis Elliott, Reese Brothers, Lawrence Corbett, Louisa Kay, Walter Reynolds, Frank Burton, Martin F. Reynolds, Golden and Golden, Carter and Vincent; S. B. O. every evening.

ELMIRA, N. Y.—Rialto (F. W. McConnel, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Ashley Sisters, Anna Harvey, Lottie Fayette, Helen Clifford, Louise Barrett, Max Bruno; good houses.—Happy Hour (Ira Vandemark, mgr.): 30-4: Kernshaw and Irwin, Harry Green, the Milans; large business.—Grand (E. J. Tully, mgr.): 30-4: Lew Benedict, Hausey and Bostelle, Frank Wilson, J. Carroll Crispin, good houses.

LEXINGTON, KY.—The Majestic (John Elliott, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Hippodrome (L. H. Ramsey, mgr.): 30-4: Kershaw and Irwin, Harry Green, the Milans; large business.—Grand (E. J. Tully, mgr.): 30-4: Lew Benedict, Hausey and Bostelle, Frank Wilson, J. Carroll Crispin, good houses.

GLOVERSVILLE, N. Y.—Family Theatre (G. B. Morris, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Franklin Ardell and co., the Almonds, Charles Bell, Clarence Bessey, and the Three Marvelous Melles pleased good houses.

AKRON, O.—Lakeside Park Casino (N. O. T. and L. Co., owners and mgrs.): Aug. 30-4: Solera, Rice and Cady, Jessie Hale and co., Howe and Cain, Dorothy Dane, Dorsch and Russell; large attendance; performers enteraining.

YORK, PA.—Auditorium (B. C. Penix, mgr.): Opens 6.—Alhambra: Aug. 30-4: Mildred in illustrated songs, moving pictures.—Mystic Star: 2-4: Clito and Sylvester, Backman and Grofs, Collins and Weisz, moving pictures.—Item: Mystic Star reopened 2, with new policy and an enlarged auditorium and stage.

WILMINGTON, DEL.—Grand Opera House (L. B. Cool, mgr.): Aug. 30-1: Taylor Twin Sisters, Marshall Montgomery, Shean and Warren, Four Dandies, Deno All, Hunter and All; large houses; performances not set. 2-4: Shean and Warren, Llord and Whitehouse, Texas Atlantic, Four, Eddie Gardner, Gray and White—Dockstader's (Garrison Theatre): Repairs and improvements not completed.

EVANSVILLE, IND.—New Grand (Ferd Wauster, mgr.): Martin Beck, gen. mgr.): The house with Orpheum circuit attractions opened 5. Matinee Sunday, Tuesdays, Thursday, and Saturdays.—Oak Summit Park (Charles H. Sweeton, mgr.): Aug. 29-4: Murphy and Powell, Ell, Carberry and Stanton, Bissell and Scott, W. J. Mills.

MERIDEN, CONN.—Poli's Theatre (J. Burnett, res. mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Keiso and Leighton, Neil McKinley, Pouger and Emerson, Aljine Trio; S. R. O. Rose Stahl 8.

PEEKSKILL, N. Y.—Colonial: Aug. 30-4 (first half): The Cubanola Trio, Dohavem and Whitney, Richards and Grover, Lou Anger, (Last half): Bailey and Bailey, Lewis and Young, Beva Larsen Troupe, Lou Anger.

TRENTON, N. J.—Trent Theatre (Montgomery Moses, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Excellent bill consisting of Louis Gerstein and co., Mattie Lockett, Howard and Collins Trio, Amy Butler and Her Boys, Anita, Leo Donnelly, Clarence Wilbur and co.; business large.—State Street Theatre (Herman Wahs, mgr.): 30-4: Capacity houses; good attractions. Lukens' Poney Circus, Clyde Bates and co., O'Dell, Clegg and Stanton, Nolan, Caffrey and Grant, Eckel and Dupree, La Canira and Harpe.

CHARLESTON, W. VA.—The Hipp (E. W. Ramsey, mgr.): Aug. 30-1: Younger Brothers, Gray and Gray, Jack and Claire, and Cours and Lewis pleased good attendance.

FALL RIVER, MASS.—Bijou (L. M. Boas, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Clarke and Temple, John Philbrick, Tomy Dugan, Martin and Frabri, Florence Stanley and co., Alex Wilson, Dacey and Donald to large attendance.—Premier (L. M. Boas, mgr.): 30-4: Francis Wood and co., Ruth Beecher, Kelly and Catlin pleased good attendance.

PORTLAND, ORE.—Theatatorium (Frost and Homan, mgrs.): Aug. 22-3: Gertie Richie, Colb and Miller, the Norwoods, and Marie Wiley pleased fair business.

PEORIA, ILL.—Main Street (E. C. Burroughs, res. mgr.): House opened 6 with Ah Ling Foo, Five Lavilla Girls, the Belmonts, Macanies and Conwell, West and Van Sickle, May Snow, and Earl Kirdella's comedy dogs; house has been thoroughly overhauled.

BAYONNE, N. J.—Bijou (Felber and Shea, mgrs. Bert D. Howard, res. mgr.): Opened its season Aug. 31 to big business. Haviland and Stern, the Weber Family, Welch and Maitland, Harvey Smith Trio, Ballo Brothers, and Neil Parker; excellent bill.

JONESBORO, ARK.—Majestic (Collins and Bridges, mgrs.): Vaudeville and John Collier in illustrated songs.

RICHMOND, VA.—Colonial (J. A. Sayer, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Howell and Webster, Powers and Freed, and Morgan and Chester to capacity.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Dominion (W. B. Lawrence, mgr.): Aug. 22-28: Lafayette's dogs, Martini Band, Francesca Redding and co., Scott and Whaley, Hamadell and Sisters, Walter

James, and Adams and Mack; good business. 30-4: Mille, Marcella's trick birds, Warren and Brockway, Carmell and Harris, May Boily, Austin Brothers and co., the Chamberlins, and William Dillon.

TROY, N. Y.—Proctor's (Guy Graves, res. mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Mr. and Mrs. Nick Hughes, W. H. Burke, Bartell and Garfield, Hanson and Bonet, George X. Wilson and co., Norman Newell, Smith and Harris, Ollie Wood and Archer Brothers; pleased full houses.

BROCKTON, MASS.—Hathaway's (McGow and Cahill, mgrs.): Aug. 30-4: George E. White and Eloise Davis, Hearn and Butler, Mai Bates and Vergie Neville, Tenie Russell, Fred Rivenhill, Fields and Hanson to large houses; good bill.—Sheed's (W. A. Bullivant, res. mgr.): 30-4: Murry Livingstone and co., Coden and Clifford, John W. Cooper, Francis Girard, Tyson and Brown to good business.—Orpheum (F. U. Bishop, mgr.): Opened its second season 30 with a good bill. De Witt's Living Statues, Young Sandow and Otto Lambert, Emerson and Vanhorn, Jimmy Hussey, Silver and Sands, Norris and Wylie to full houses.

RACINE, WIS.—Bijou Theatre (Campbell and Danforth, owners; F. B. Stafford, mgr.): Aug. 30-8: Carl Hewitt and co., Julian and Dyer, Pauline Simpson, Lya La Pine, Harry Dewart, Norman Newell, Smith and Harris, Ollie Wood and Archer Brothers; pleased full houses.

SHREVEPORT, WIS.—Unique Theatre (L. H. Williams, mgr.): Aug. 30-5: Capacity houses. Kelsey Sisters and Billy Cummings, Beulah Benton, Fontella, Little Christine, the McGreys, Esther Burns' Musical Trio, Hayter and Janet, Edwin Warren, Ethel Williams.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—Ardmore (A. J. Clark, mgr.): Aug. 30-28: The Zeta Zamas, Mexican fire throwers; Biosa, the squat, the German Musicians, Francis Fairchild, Thomas Ryan, Majestic Theatre (A. Hoyt, mgr.): 30-28: The Dixie Four, Blossom Harris, Miller and Atwood, Fred Lawrence.

BROWNSVILLE, PA.—Grand Opera House (H. B. Bush and Charles Stone, mgrs.): Marie Ward, Sam L. Phillips, Devere Brothers, Julia Edwards, Granick and Hallaux 30-1; pleased. 30-28: Will Rossette's Bush of Kids, Herbert Brook and co., Loraine Mitchell, Thomas Mahoney; large houses.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.—Hippodrome (E. P. Lyons, mgr.): Opened Aug. 30 with Royal Roman Trio, Polka Sisters, Raymond and Harper.

MEMPHIS, TENN.—The leasing of the Jefferson by William Morris, Inc., gives Memphis these two high-class vaudeville houses. Much interest is being shown already in the fight locally and large advance sales indicate a prosperous year. The warm weather is not all over yet, which militates some against large houses at the early openings. The general prosperity in the Memphis territory justifies the expectations of managers for a profitable season.

HAMILTON, ONT.—Bennett's Theatre (A. J. Appleton, mgr.): Opening week, Aug. 30-4, found packed houses, presenting The Devil and Tom Walker, Ed Morton, the Vivians, Five Musical McLarens, Pete Baker, Overing Trio, Christmas Eve, and moving pictures.

BUTTE, MONT.—Orpheum (C. N. Sutton, mgr.): Aug. 22-28: Mary Norman, Ed H. Newhard, James Young, Loraine Osborne and Robert Strauss, Bison City Pie Pilla, Ross, Hughes Musical Trio, 30-4: Valerie Berger, Tuscany Troubadours, Julia Edwards, Sam L. Phillips, Devere Brothers, and Alice Farnsworth, Joe Jackson—Majestic (N. A. Sutton, mgr.): 22-28: William Cahill, John Bandy and Florence Fields, Helen Berersford and co., Fobel and Buge, Charles Colby and Lillian May, 30-4: Anna Eva Fay, Madeline and Melvin, Elsie Cressey and co., Josephine Ainsley—Empire Theatre (L. M. Quinn, mgr.): 22-28: Memora, George Evans and Pork Chop, Violette Curtiss, Sid Giroux, the Oldfields, Princess Tarpe, Marathon Quartette, Clever Clark, Stanley and Scanlon, Sid Giroux, Eddie Sergeant, Lois Taylor, and O. N. Emore.

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—Grand (The Grand Co., mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Mille, Dasic, Four Headings, Barry and Wolford, Donald and Carson, Keane and Briscoe, Gavin and Platt, and Hill, Cherry and Hill to large audience.—Savoy (L. E. McDonald, mgr.): 30-4: De Moresco, Fred and Freda Terrell, Golden, Billy Martin, the Langtons, and Sharpe Sisters drew well.—Item: Miss Dasic and her husband, Mark Loscher, a former Syracusean, were entertained by Assemblyman and Mrs. Henry J. Walters during their stay here.

OWENSBY, N. Y.—Richardson (Frank E. Foster, mgr.): Aug. 22-28: Rosser and Georgette, Ralph Edwards, Golden and Golden, 30-31: Sherlock and Van Delle, Lord and Miller, Mac K. Addison. Business the very best.—Orpheum (Charles E. Gilmore, mgr.): 30-1: Douglas and Douglas, Elsie Harvey.

MEMPHIS, TENN.—Jefferson (A. B. Morris, mgr.): Opened 6 as a vaudeville house, showing the William Morris bookings.—Orpheum (Max Fabish, mgr.): Season opened Aug. 30 with fine business. Grigolati's Aerial Ballet was the headliner.—Lyceum (Clarence Weiss, mgr.): Opens 27 with Al G. Field's Minstrels.

SCRANTON, PA.—Poli's (J. H. Docking, mgr.): The opening bill for the season Aug. 30-4 was excellent, to capacity houses. Porter J. White and co. in The Visitor as a headliner and The Song Shop, the Mangan Troupe of Aerobatics, Corcoran and Dixon, Hoyt and Dawson, the Two Pucks, Dunes and Dunes, 6-11: La Timone, Harrold and Wood, Marrian Knight and co., Robert De Haven, Trio Halligan and co., and Mabel and Ward, Love and Love.—Wonder (F. J. Homan, mgr.): 30-4: Miss M. Lafferty, the Great White Yogi, Handley and Dawson, Bill and business excellent.—Orpheum (J. H. Farrell, mgr.): 30-4: Harry Peters, Dick Mack, Bill and business excellent.—Columbia (O. Nelson Teets, mgr.): 30-4: The Big Review in The Frivolities of 1919; co. excellent, to capacity houses. Clem Bevins and Lillian Ardell were featured. The chorus was the Jardin de Paris Girls 3-4. Miss New York, Jr., 8-8. The Brides 9-11.

COLUMBIA, S. C.—The Lyric (P. W. Rockefeller, mgr.): Aug. 30-1: Wayne Musical co. has given an excellent show to S. H. O.—The Grand (Carl Davenport, mgr.): 30-4: Billie Beard, Smith and Adams, Dolly Epitn; good bill and attendance.

NORWICH, CONN.—Auditorium: Season opened Aug. 30 with a good bill, consisting of Merrill and Norman, Jessie Edwards, Robinson and Gates, Nan Evans; business large.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—Cook's (J. H. Finn, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: A genuinely entertaining bill has been provided for the opening of the vaudeville season, including the Delavan Sextette, Garrison's Venus, Bert Lewis and co., Julia Pray, Mullin and Correlli, Alz Grant, Lovelle and Sinclair—Item: John H. Finn, who has been in the city for the past year as general press representative of the Moore-Wiggins Co., has been appointed manager of the Cook Opera House, and will also act in that capacity at the new Temple Theatre when it is completed in November. Mr. Finn takes the place of Mr. Wiggins.

OTTAWA, ONT.—Bennett's Theatre (Gus Greening, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Annie Abbott, Howard Bros., Gracie Emmett and co., Silton's Cat Circus, Sisters Dolly, Sid Baxter, Jack Lee; capacity business; very good. 6-11: Fay and Clark, Clifford and Burke, Dewitt, Burns and Torrence, Ed Morton, Vinas Daley.

BRIDGEPORT, CONN.—Poli's (S. S. Poll, prop.; S. W. Banderson, res. mgr.): The last week of stock co.'s sixth summer season was devoted to The Heir to the Hoorah Aug. 30-4, and did good business. Vaudeville, with the Russell Brothers' antediluvian sketch, as headliner, comes Labor Day. Others of the bill will be Lasky's The Song Shop, Campbell and Nates, Coach Richards Trio, Henry and Lyle, Amy Butler and co., and Three Ernests.

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FALL RIVER, MASS.—Academy of Music: Aug. 23-28: James A. Byrne, Jr., Al Grenier and Frank L. Ross, the John Byrne Troupe, Harry Benton, Hoover and Clark, and Myrtle Miller, to good attendance.

ALBANY, N. Y.—Gaiety (Howard B. Nichols, mgr.): Marion's Dreamland Burlesques co. Aug. 30-1, offered fine up-to-date performances to overflowing houses. Dave Miller was a strong factor in his new songs went well. Henry Miller in Albany was well received. Watson's, Aug. 24.—Empire (James H. Rhodes, res. mgr.): An entirely new burlesque organization, The Star and Garter Show, inaugurates the season at this house 24. Co. unusually large and deports somewhat from the usual burlesque offering. Gay Masqueraders 6-8.

MARION, O.—Family Theatre: Has been leased by the Grand Vandeville Circuit, who will open the house on an early date.

WATERTOWN, N. Y.—Antique (A. J. Colburn, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: The Musical Silvers, Brass, Silver, Hatte, Hammer; excellent bill 30-4: Mr. Haines, Jack Williams pleased good business.—Wonderland (E. Bruce Frasier, mgr.): 30-4: Weissner Sisters, Al Beach pleased good business.—ITEM: Manager Frasier, of Wonderland, leaves 5 and will take the management of the Opera House at Clayton until Nov. 1.

LOWELL, MASS.—Hathaway's Theatre (Andrew E. Hathaway, owner; John J. Shannon, mgr.): Opened Aug. 30, to large and pleased houses. Phantastic Phantoms, Grace Elwyn, Simmons and White, Desmond and Bailey, Frank and Marion Moore, Three Ernests, A-Ba-Bi's Postal Card Album; good bill.—New Palace (Carl Cookson, mgr.): Opened under new management 6: Louise Henderson, female ventriloquist; Charles Mack, Marion Allen, Sears and Lamone, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson.

PITTSFIELD, MASS.—Empire (J. H. Tebbitz, mgr.): Will open 6 with strong vaudville bill. House has been newly painted, new chairs added and general remodeling throughout.

MONTRÉAL, QUE.—Bennett's has an exceptionally good bill Aug. 30-4. It is headed by Fred Lindsay. Others: Melville and Higgins, Clifford and Burke, Dewart, Burns and Torrence, Fay and Clarke, Vinnie Daly, John D. Gilbert, and the Alpha Four.—The Ducklings at the Royal give a good show. Damsel and Fair in an operatic travesty. Fred Bull and Lilian Raymond, and Frank Cullen are the chief items of the olio.—Eugene Thibodeau, the strong man, is the feature at Dominion Park.—Sohmer Park has a good bill, including the Kohler Trio, Charles Herries, Deas, Rees and Deas, Robison and Grant, and the Musical Winfield.

CLINTON, IA.—Family Theatre (George Otterbach, mgr.): Opened Aug. 29 to crowded houses, with a good vaudville programme by Wallace, Dancing Fury, Casab, De Fern and Weston, White and Simmons, Winnie Crawford, and Lloyd Livermore.

TOLEDO, O.—The Arcade bill for week Aug. 29 contained Yostino Brothers, the Randolphs, Eddie, Hall and Kent, Pearl Allen.—At the Valentine: Annie Vivian, Grace Belmont, Dayton and Fields.

JAMESTOWN, N. Y.—Colon Theatre (J. J. Waters, mgr.): Aug. 16-21: The Piano Four, Banjo, Mullen and Correll, Howard and Howard, Tom Fletcher; good show and business. 30-4: Webb's seals, Charles Leonard Fletcher, Dick Serenaders, Burns and Fulton, Can Camp; good show and business.

SPRINGFIELD, O.—Sun (Sun Amusement Co., mgmt.): Will open the season 6 with Elwood Ladies' Band, Fright-George Co., Rozen and French, Dancing Darling, Grace Georgette.—Spring Grove Casino (Sing. Ry. Co., mgmt.): Closed the season Aug. 28.

NEWPORT, R. I.—Sheedy's Freebody Park Theatre (Charles E. Cooke, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Gordon Bidder and co., Elmore and Germon, Fortune Brothers, Henry Leone and Anne Dale, Clemens Brothers, Payton and Wilson, Henry French, Belle Hathaway's monkeys; fine business.—Opera House (Cahn and Cross Co., mgrs.): 30-4: Two Le Clairs, Hansone, Bennett and McNeil, Haley and Nolan, the Sidons; S. R. O. business.

HARRISBURG, PA.—Orpheum (C. Floyd Hopkins, res. mgr.): Opened Aug. 30, attendance fine; Mr. Grosvenor, Fred Gary and Willie Graham, Hall Brothers, Evans and Lee, Ward Klare and co., Melnotte Twins and Clay Smith, and Circumstantial Evidence.—Hippodrome (A. Le Boumfort and Co., Inc., mgrs.): Bradford, Russell, Burgess, Minstrel co. 30-4.—Pantang Park (F. M. Davis, mgr.): Closing week of 30-4 to fair business; Ed Eates, Whitner and Bell, Charles O'Toole, May and Lillian Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell.

JERSEY CITY, N. J.—Town Talk co. commenced its season at the Bon Ton Theatre Aug. 26-28 to good business, but the show is way off as to quality. The opening performances were poor in every respect, as to people and business. James Francis Sullivan, James Mullens, Margaret Lane, and Sam Hearn are the principals.—The Frolicsome Lambs co. came 30-4 to fine business and gave a real show, which was good from start to finish. The olio is very good. Sam Devore's co. 2-4, Dreamland Burlesques 6-8. The Big Review 8-11. Items: Gertrude Fiske and May Belmont are the hits of the Frolicsome Lambs co. The former is a fine soprano and the latter a good coon shouter.—Season at the Hudson Theatre (Union Hill) opens Labor Day. Straight vaudville.—There is a rumor that Keith-Proctor's Theatre is to go back to vaudville.—William H. Walsh (Kid), formerly of Keith-Proctor's, was a visitor here.

EAST LIVERPOOL, O.—Newell Park (George W. Clarke, mgr.): Aug. 20-4: Two Jacksons, Alarcon Trio, Great Nossoppy to large crowds.—Rock Springs Theatre (J. Howard Maxwell, mgr.): Tribune Baby Show 31 to crowds. Bocerope Orchestra Band 5. Tri-State Fair 14-17.—Lyric Theatre (W. B. Dillingham, mgr.): Carter and Butler, wrestling, 4. Regular vaudville season opens 6.

OIL CITY, PA.—Star (G. H. Lowrie, mgr.): Aug. 30-4: Bertha Dowd Mack, Dagan and Palae, Sandow, Billy Burns, Morton, Keenan and Blanion; good business.—Orpheum (McCullough and Frazier, owners): 30-4: Bailey and Crownier, West, Benton, Rennee Family; big business; fine satisfaction.

PAWTUCKET, R. I.—The Bijou (David R. Bulington, mgr.): Aug. 30-4, packed houses: Mantella, the Pelots, Marie Elmer, Gardner, West and Sunshine, Joe Carey, Adams Trio.

LOS ANGELES, CAL.—Sam Watson's Farmyard Circus closely held the attention of the Orpheum-goers Aug. 28-29. Others: Grigg, Herbert and Willing, Lillie Lena, Gibson Girl Review, Three Donalds, Julius Tannen.

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ALABAMA.

TROY.—FOLMAR'S THEATRE (Mr. Davids, mgr.): Will open with Charles A. Miller in St. Elmo Octo. 4. Mae Stewart 18. The Girl from the Sunny South 19. Charles B. Hanford in The Taming of the Shrew 20. The Gingerbread Man Nov. 11. Cobain's Minstrels 12. The Lion and the Mouse 18. Salomy Jane 19.

MOBILE.—THEATRE (J. Tannenbaum, mgr.): Season 1909-10 opened with Tim Murphy in My Boy 3. McFadden's Flats 4.—ITEM: Manager Tannenbaum returned this week after spending a pleasant vacation in the East.

MONTGOMERY.—THE GRAND (W. A. Matties, mgr.): Opened with McFadden's Flats 2.

ALASKA.

Nome.—EAGLE HALL: The Dantes-Durwood-Code co. July 31-Aug. 15; gave satisfaction to full houses. Code Amusement Aug. 16-22.—ITEM: Mr. Dantes and his co. left Aug. 16 for Yukon River points.

ARIZONA.

TUCSON.—ELYSIAN GROVE (E. Drachman, mgr.): Raymond Teal Musical Comedy, etc. in Bishop of Birmingham and in Gay New York, scoring big hits in both bills; S. R. O. at open ing performance and good business throughout the week.

ARKANSAS.

FORT SMITH.—ELECTRIC PARK AUDITORIUM (E. J. Mack, mgr.): The Great Hickman-Bessy co. Aug. 24-29 in Thoms and Orange Blossoms, Lena Rivers, the Girl of the Hills and Just Plain Folks. The past week at the Auditorium enjoyed the largest business ever done at this popular place of Summer amusement. The Hickman-Bessy co. will remain for all next week.—LYRIC THEATRE (W. B. Russell, mgr.): The De Wolf Trio, Anna Beckman, Helen Alford, Christmas at Higgins (cast included E. S. Norton, Helen De Land, and Glinda McCoy) Aug. 23-25; record breaking business. Ruff and Cusick, Anna Beckman, Mack and West, and Jack J. Crotty and co. 26-28 to large business.

LITTLE ROCK.—CAPITAL THEATRE (John P. Baird, mgr.): Georgia Minstrels Aug. 25; fair performance, to fair business. Fast Mail 4. Soul Kiss Oct. 1.—ITEM: Charles T. Taylor, formerly manager of Capital Theatre, Little Rock, Ark., for the past nine years, will manage the Schenectady, N. Y., house this season.

JONESBORO.—EMPIRE (V. C. Pettie, mgr.): The Missouri Girl 16. Forgiven Oct. 20. Wood Sisters 21-25. When His Wife's Away 26. Gertie and Ewing 28. Louis James in Peer Gynt Nov. 12.

CALIFORNIA.

OAKLAND.—MACDONOUGH THEATRE (C. P. Hall, mgr.): Paid in Full Aug. 23-28 to good houses. Interludes in the Grand Opera co. 36-28; opera well-considered, capable co.; attendance fair.—LIBERTY THEATRE (H. W. Bishop, mgr.): Bishop's Players in The Genius; production and business very satisfactory; George Friend in leading role made great hit. Romeo and Juliet 30-5. The Lion and the Mouse 6-12.—THE BROADWAY (Guy C. Smith, mgr.): Smith's Stock co. presented Are You a Mason 22-28; performance good; capacity houses; fine work by Landers Stevens and Georgia Cooper. At the Old Cross Roads 30-5.

COLORADO.

ASPEN.—WHEELER OPERA HOUSE (Edgar Stallard, mgr.): The Kempton Comedy Company played a week's engagement Aug. 23-28 to good houses; co. good.

LA JUNTA.—THEATRE (H. H. Bourne, lessee and mgr.): Will open with The Alaskan 18.

CONNECTICUT.

BRIDGEPORT.—JACKSON'S (Ire. W. Jackson, prop. and mgr.): Dolly Varden Aug. 24; first-class and business good. Burns-Johnson fight pictures 27, 28. David Copperfield had its premiere 30; a regrettably small house and it, probably believing it to be of the same type as Dickens' plays in general, whereas it was infinitely better. A local paper made a hit with Dickens' students by announcing that "David Copperfield occupied an orchestra chair during the performance," doubtless referring to the presence of Edward C. White and Mildred Holland, who came here to see the premiere. W. H. Turner in The Sporting Deacon 1, 2, repeated his David Harum-esque hit. The Bill 4 was especially noteworthy because of the presence of the Big West of this city, whose management has just been announced. Rose Smith comes to us Labor Day. The Merry Widow 7. The Honeymooners 8. A published list of the attractions at Jackson's for the ensuing two months shows a notable array of high-class and popular plays.—ITEMS: In addition to continuing as treasurer of the house, John J. Fitz Patrick has been appointed press agent. Long and painstaking service merits the promotion.—William Fitz Patrick will act as assistant treasurer and "Spilling Joe" Thorne will guard the ticket box for the 1,000 seats per season.—The builders are about ready to deliver an entire new front for the house wherein the little Smith "divides" into "Joe" and "John" and a big electric and electric letters announce the attractions.—Manager S. E. Poll has bought land from the Fox Estate on Main Street, near Congress, for his new theatre, promised for readiness Feb. 1.—Everything points to an exceptionally good season.

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HARTFORD.—PARSONS (H. C. Parsons, mgr.): Channing Pollock's Such a Little One, which is meeting with such success on Broadway, had its preliminary Aug. 26-28, and scored the same hit that has marked its metropolitan debut. Winchell Smith's A Fortune Hunter, which was seen here for the first time last Spring, again met with the same unanimous favor, and when it appears at the Gaiety Theatre on Broadway it will unquestionably make a decided hit and have a long run. American Widow 2-4.—HARTFORD (H. H. Jennings, mgr.): The regular season will be inaugurated 4 when Sam Bernard will present



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NORWICH.—BROADWAY (Ira. W. Jackson, mgr.): Adeline Flidges Aug. 27 in Dolly Varden to a good sized and well pleased audience; Miss Flidges is a bright little actress, with a fair voice, and she was ably supported by a co. of good singers and a fairly capable chorus; scenery and costumes bright and pretty. Daniel Seward 4. Edward C. White's production of David Copperfield 6 (Labor Day).

NEW BRITAIN.—RUSSWIN LYCEUM (T. J. Lynch, mgr.): Dolly Varden, with Adeline Flidges, Aug. 30; made fair impression; poor house. A Girl of the Mountains 1, to well filled house; performance and co. fair. W. H. Turner in The Sporting Deacon 4. The Girl of the Golden West 6.

NEW LONDON.—LYCEUM (Jackson Amusement Co.; Walter T. Murphy, res. mgr.): Just Out of College 3. Charcot 6. David Copperfield 8. The World and the Woman 10. The Girl of the Golden West 11.—BIJOU (David Allyn, mgr.): Aug. 30-4; Jack Ingalls, Simon Due, Leslie Thurston, Traylor and Hunt, and pictures; business good.

WINSTED.—OPERA HOUSE (Parsons and Morris, lessees): Mills E. Norton, co. 10. The Girl of the Circus 1 to good business; performance fine. David Copperfield 2. The White Squaw 6. Paid in Full 9. Quincy Adams Sawyer 13. East Lynne 15.

WILLIMANTIC.—LOOMER OPERA HOUSE (John H. Gray, mgr.): A Girl of the Mountains Aug. 31 opened season; well attended, many coming from Coventry on the new trolley. David Copperfield 4. Girl of the Gold West 9.

WATERBURY.—POLY'S THEATRE (Harry Parsons, mgr.): Opened 6 with two performances of Paid in Full. Rose Stahl in The Chorus Lady 7. The Merry Widow 8. The Honeymooners 9. Cecil Spooner in The Little Terror 11.

DELAWARE.

WILMINGTON.—A VENUE THEATRE (Conness, Edwards and Roth, mgrs.): Dark. Will not open until cooler weather.

FLORIDA.

JACKSONVILLE.—DUVAL THEATRE (Mr. Delcher, mgr.): To open for the season with The Soul Kiss 10. The Wolf 14.—OR-PHUM (James Burbridge, mgr.): Mable Paige has completed a thirty weeks' successful engagement and left for Montgomery. Wayne Musical Co. 6-12.—DIXIE THEATRE (James C. Smith, mgr.): Opened 6 with two performances of Paid in Full. Rose Stahl in The Chorus Lady 7. The Merry Widow 8. The Honeymooners 9. Cecil Spooner in The Little Terror 11.

CANTON.—GRAND OPERA HOUSE (J. W. Gosnell, mgr.): Opened with Orange Blossoms 3. French Folks Burlesques 4. Lydia Twins 5. Meadow Brook Farm 6. John Wayne 7.—ITEM: F. H. Powelson has taken charge of Opera House in Galesburg. Mr. Gosnell, the new manager, is very well known here. He expects to fill in moving pictures on open dates.

VARIETIES. (J. W. Spannle, mgr.): Opened 28 with Varietie Stock co., changing bill three times weekly; business very good and bill good.

AURORA.—GRAND (Chamberlin, Harrington and Co., marn.): Charles Lamb, res. mgr.): Opened with Tempest and Sunshine Aug. 21 to fair house; good co. Brookfield Farm 21; fair house; good co. Blue Moose 21; excellent to good house. Cow-Puncher 1; good to fair house. Colored Aristocrats 6. Lena Rivers 1. Married in Haste 10. French Folly Girls 13. The Girl from the U. S. A. 14. Her Dark Marriage 15. Anna's White Minstrels 20. James Joyce 21. Prince of Te-ah 22. Bunc 1. Arizona 23.

QUINCY.—EMPIRE THEATRE (Chamberlin, Harrington and Co., marn.): W. L. Bush, res. mgr.): The Sherman Stock co. in The Village Vagabond Aug. 20; good production; fair business. Honeymoon Trail 4. Lo 11.—ITEM: The Bijou Theatre will reopen about 15.

STERLING.—ACADEMY OF MUSIC (W. P. Lipp, mgr.): The Sunny Side of Broadway Aug. 24. Tempest and Sunshine 25. The Minister's Daughter 26. and Thoms and Orange Blossoms 27 gave good satisfaction to good business.

URBANA.—OPERA HOUSE (George W. Chatterton, mgr.): Lacey Musical Comedy co. Aug. 30-4 in Pink Domestics, Sweetest Girl in Town, Hello Bill, The Broadway Girl, and His Higgin's. It is not yet decided as to whether or not it will be reopened.

DECATUR.—POWER'S GRAND OPERA HOUSE (Thomas Moran, mgr.): Opened with The Honeymoon Trail Aug. 21 to good business.—BIJOU (A. Siegfried, mgr.): Will open Oct. 15, after having been rebuilt.—THEATRUM (Joseph Yeagle, mgr.): Was totally destroyed by fire. It is not yet decided as to whether or not it will be reopened.

ELGIN.—OPERA HOUSE (Fred W. Jacobs, mgr.): The Harry Scott co. presented Girl from U. S. A. Aug. 28, with Rosamond Harrison as Jack. Other members: W. H. Belmont, Lew Silvers, Charles Harris, Harry O'Leary, Fred Walter, Elmer Frits, Joe Billings, Harry Blaik, Earl Grey, Margaret O'Brien, Ida Anderson, Sarah Gilman, Edna Brown, May Wright, Maude Goodrich, Lida Anderson, Rose Smith, Christine Peters and Mary Russell. Fred Walton is co. manager. Capacity business at matinees and fair size audience at night. Hope Hadley offered Montana 30 and pleased good

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the Pinkerton Girl, 20; good, to fair house. *Tempest* and *Sunshine* 20; good, to good house. *Cast from U.S.A.* 1. *Wizard from Wiceland* 10.

PRINCETON. — **APOLLO THEATRE** (E. L. Holden, mgr.): *H. L. Sharp*, res. mgr.; *The Prize Winner*, Aug. 27. *Thorns and Orange Blossoms* 4. *Lacey's Musical Comedy* co. 6-11. *Fair Week*.

ROCKFORD. — **GRAND** (George C. Sackett, mgr.): *Theresa and Orange Blossoms* 10. *Cast from U.S.A.* 1. *Good and Evening Fair House*. *Corrine in Mischief* 27; pleased small house.

ALTON. — **TEMPLE THEATRE** (W. M. Sawyer, mgr.): Opened with one performance of *The Royal Chef* 5. — **ITEM:** House has been redecorated and refurnished.

INDIANA.

SOUTH BEND. — **AUDITORIUM** (Harry G. Chapman, mgr.): *Herb Jagger* 10, 11. *Seasiders* 4 with *The Third Degree*. The *Cast from U.S.A.* was booked for 2, but the Auditorium is being redecorated and as the work cannot be completed before 4, *The Candy Shop* has been transferred to Goshen and will open the Auditorium's season there, under the management of Harry G. Summers, on 2. — **THE INDIANA** (*Theresa*, *Miss*, mgr.): Opened 5 with *A Confused Woman* by the Indiana Theatre Stock co., under direction of Otto B. Thayer. *Martha* has been engaged as leading woman. — **ITEM:** The Oliver Opera House will not open its second season until Oct. 1, 1910, the building having been sold to the Oliver Opera House Stock Co., which is now under way and which will convert the building into a modern up-to-date of the structure, will not be completed for sometime. A few minor changes only will be made in the theatre proper.

GREENSBORO. — **JEFFERSON** (H. G. Summers, mgr.): After the opening of the 10th regular season, Aug. 9, with *Cohan and Harris*, *Fifty Miles from Boston*, W. F. Mann's *Tempest* and *Cast from U.S.A.* was seen 12 to fair business, giving good satisfaction. W. F. Mann's *The Cow Puncher* 10; light attendance, ordinary performance. *Keith* and his stock co. 20-22, presenting *My Jim*, *It's Never Too Late to Mend*, *Gold and Gold*, *The Peasant*, *A Romance of China* and *Cast from U.S.A.* 10, satisfying. *Keith* and his stock co. 20-22, *The Candy Shop* 1. *The Wizard of Wiceland* 4. *My Dixie Girl* 5. *Cast from U.S.A.* 10-12. Paid in Full 22. *Porty* 25. *Minstrel from Broadway* 25.

MADISON. — The prospects for the opening season are brighter than ever before. All individual concerns are running full time, and business in general is improving steadily. The *Madison Hospital* for the Insane is building here, and they are working several hundred men. The Grand Opera House, under the management of E. J. Matthews, with Louis Layton as manager, will open during the first or second week of September. The house has been completely overhauled and put in first-class shape, and is sure of liberal patronage.

PRINCETON. — **KIDD** (George H. Kidd, mgr.): *Cast from U.S.A.* (The Landly Amusement Co.) Aug. 10-14; performance good; fair house on first night. *A Pair of Country Kids* 8. *Cast from U.S.A.* 10. — **AIRDOCK** (V. Gamble, manager): *Porty* 10. *Portyway Burlesques* (George L. Burley, manager): *Porty* 10. This is the name of the Gilmore County Fair, located here, and we have plenty of amusements this week. In the Fair Grounds is the Kennedy Wild West Show and the Crystal Maze, upstaged by the Circus House.

HAMMOND. — **TOWLE'S OPERA HOUSE** (J. W. Wingfield, lessee; B. J. Emery, res. mgr.): *The Bowler and the Thief* Aug. 20; good and performance, to good house. *Papillon* 10; pictures 20; very good, to good business. *The Girl from the U.S.A.* 20; good business. *Long River* 1. *Red Mill* 5. *Wizard of Wiceland* 6. *Little Homestead* 12. *Cast from U.S.A.* 10. *Powell and Cohan Musical Stock* 18. *John and Emma Ray* 19. *St. Louis Chorus* 20.

PORT WYNN. — **MAJESTIC THEATRE** (John and Gladys, mgr.): *The Cowboy and the Girl* Aug. 27-28; in good houses. *The Rascals* 1. *Cast from U.S.A.* 1. *Henry Diaz in Mary Jane's* 2. *John and Emma Stock* 3. — *ITEM:* Edward H. Wynn, brother of the late Edward H. Wynn, manager of the Majestic Theatre, has signed a contract for the coming season, to go ahead of John and Emma Ray, in the musical success, *King of the Castle*.

BRASIL. — **SWINGER** (Will H. Levitt, mgr.): The Maxwell Hall Stock co. opened the season week of Aug. 16, and satisfied good house with the following: *The Daughter of the House*, *The Deserted Bride*, *The Fatal Coin*, *Microcosm*, *The Great Secret*, *Sins of Society*, *Death's Revenge* and *East Lynne*.

MICHIGAN CITY. — **GRAND OPERA** (John D. Daniels, mgr.): *Girl from U.S.A.* Aug. 10; fair business, good co. *Long River* 20. Attracted a large audience. *Red Mill* 14. *Wizard of Wiceland* 5. *Married in Haste* 8.

LA PORTE. — **HALL THEATRE** (Wilbur Hall, mgr.): *Cook Stock* on Aug. 21-22 played to fair houses. *Long River* 20; pleased a fair house. *Brewster's Millions* 6. *Paradise* 8. *Cast from U.S.A.* 10. *Madam Butterfly* 21. *Geno* 22.

EVANSTON. — **THE WELLS' BUDS** (Charles H. Sweeten, mgr.): Opened Aug. 20 in *Portions of Patches* to fair houses. *The Price of Tonight* 4. *Yorkie and Adams* in *India* 5.

IOWA.

WATERLOO. — **SYNDICATE THEATRE** (A. S. Smith, mgr.): *The Sunny Side of Broadway* 20; good business and attractions. *Cast from U.S.A.* 10-14. — **THE WATERLOO** (J. B. Bunker, mgr.): *National Opera* co. pleased by business 20-22. *Plays* were *Mikado* and *Hamlet*. *Human Hearts* 20; fair business and *Womina Girl* 21; big business. *Blue Moon* 2.

SPENCER. — **GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (Franklin Plotkin, mgr.): *The Girl and the Gypsies* Aug. 10. Good co., but expensive heat caused small house. *The co.* included V. E. Lambert, Harry L. Miller, Frank Williams, Tom Gobio, George Conover, J. T. Smith, T. H. Gandy, Mabel Hayes, Julia Evelyn, and Grace Davis. *Lambert's Colored Trounce* 1.

DECATUR. — **GRAND** (William L. Bradlee, mgr.): *Frank & Long Stock* on in *repetitive* 20-22; good business. *Third Degree* 20-22. *Cast from U.S.A.* 10. *Long River* 1. *Cast from U.S.A.* 11. *Long Musical Comedy* 10-12. *Cast from U.S.A.* 13-15. *Cast from U.S.A.* 16-18. *Richard Carle* 21. *Wiz* 22. *Cast from U.S.A.* 23. *Red Mill* 24. *Cast from U.S.A.* 25. Paid in Full 25.

CLINTON. — **THE CLINTON** (C. E. Dilling,

mgr.): *Tempest and Sunshine* 2. *Meadow Brook Farm* 4. *Earle Stock* co., augmented to eighteen people, in *repetitive* 5-16. *Girls of the U.S.A.* 17. *Wizard of Wiceland* 22. — **ITEM:** The Clinton has been thoroughly cleaned and renovated.

ANAMORA. — **GRAND** (Clifford L. Niles, mgr.): *Rock's* 20. *All Aug.* 20-22 pleased packed houses. *The Cow Puncher* 3. *Yankee Doodle Girl* 13.

PERRY. — **GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (A. W. Walton, mgr.): Opened with *Human Hearts* as the attraction 2. *Cow Puncher* 13.

KANSAS.

INDEPENDENCE. — **RELDORF** (W. B. Bell, mgr.): Will open 17 with *The Wolf*.

COLUMBUS. — **MCGHEE'S THEATRE** (W. R. McGhee, mgr.): *Dark Aug.* 30-4.

KENTUCKY.

LEXINGTON. — **OPERA HOUSE** (Charles Scott, mgr.): Opened by the Hyde's Theatre Party, featuring *Jack Warburton* Aug. 20-4; good business following plays well staged and well presented. *Childless* and *Ye Robert Wister*, *The Meddler*, *Chimie*, *Fiddie* 21. *Waters Run Deep*, and *The Texan*. *Al Field's* *Minerals* 2. *The Climax* 19.

MAYSVILLE. — **WASHINGTON OPERA HOUSE** (H. M. Dyer and Fred F. Price, mrs. & co.): *M. Russell*, his mgr. 3. *Hayes*, *Connally Stock* co. Aug. 20-4; pleasing good houses. *Madam Butterfly* 8. *Climax* 9. *Final Settlement* 11. May Stewart 15.

MAINE.

BANGOR. — **OPERA HOUSE** (F. A. Owen, mgr.): *The Volunteer Organist* closed Aug. 28 to fair business, co. and performance excellent. *The Rejuvenation* of Aug. 30-31, presented by May Robson and good supporting co.; well pleased two large audiences. Also at the Fire, booked for 8, canceled. *Billy the Kid*, *Old Mattie* 8-9. *Traveling Salesman* 10-11. *Devil's Auction* 12-13. *Uncle Dan*, *Hoover* 20. *St. Nicholas*, *Clarendon* 21. *Girl of the Golden West* 24. *Girl of the Mountains* 25.

BRUNSWICK. — **TOWN HALL** (H. J. Green, mgr.): *Dark Aug.* 20-4. — **PARTIME THEATRE** (W. C. Gould, mgr.): *The Professor*, *Musical Clark*, pictures and songs 20-4. — **PICTURELAND THEATRE** (Hudson Sam, mgr.): *Professor Hilton*, *Ringos Sam* and co., *Brown and Pietta*, *Imperial Trio* 20-4.

MARYLAND.

ANNAPOLIS. — **COLONIAL THEATRE** (W. A. Holliebaugh, mgr.): *Human Hearts* Aug. 20; fair business and performance. *When His Wife's Away* 14. *Devil's Auction* 15. *California Girls* 18. *Climax* 20. *Louis James in Henry VIII* 25.

MASSACHUSETTS.

FALL RIVER. — **ACADEMY OF MUSIC** (Julia Cahn, manager): *Cast from U.S.A.* 1. *George S. Wiley*, *Cast from U.S.A.* 2. *The Hyatt Brothers* presented the new *Eight Bells* Aug. 27, 28. *The World and a Woman* 20 canceled. *Just Out of College* 4. *The Third Degree* 6-8. *Daniel Sulli* 9. *Strongheart* 10. *David Copperfield* 11. — **ITEM:** The Lincoln Park Opera co. close their season *John Day* 8, which has been very successful. Harry Day, 8, which has been very successful. Harry H. Hadfield is building a large bungalow at Westwood, Mass., where he has purchased a tract of land. John A. Daler left 24 to join the Farnsworth Stock co.

LOWELL. — **OPERA HOUSE** (Julia Cahn, owner; Ralph A. Ward, res. mgr.): *Ward and Voices* in *The Promoters* 3. *Quincy Adams Sawyer* 4. *The Yankee Doodle Detective* 8-8. *Sharecrook*, *hypnotist*, 10. *May Robson* in *The Rejuvenation* of Aug. 30-31. — **ITEM:** *The Automobile Carnival* 6-10. on the Merrimack Valley Course.

LAWRENCE. — **OPERA HOUSE** (Julia Cahn, manager): *Cast from U.S.A.* 1. *John H. Oldfield*, res. mgr. 2. *Nellie McHenry* in *Miliss* opened Aug. 26-28; small houses. *Billy the Kid* to fair business. *Old Yankee Doodle Detective* 2-4. *Quincy Adams Sawyer* 3. *Strongheart* 7. *A Northern Cinderella* 8. *A Girl of the Mountains* 9. *May Robson* 11. — **COLONIAL** (F. Fred Lewis, mgr.): *Season* opens 6 with *vaudeville*.

PITTSFIELD. — **COLONIAL** (James P. Sullivan, mgr.): *Dark Aug.* 20-4; *vaudeville* to good business. *East Lynne* 6. *Wedgwood*, *Dick's Last Shot* 7. *The Right of Way* 8. *Harvest Days* 11.

MICHIGAN.

ESCANABA. — **PETERSON'S OPERA HOUSE** (P. M. Peterson, mgr.): *Moses*, *Prince of Egypt* Aug. 20; fair co. and business. *The Thief* and *Cast from U.S.A.* pleased a fair audience. *Long River* 20. *Madame Butterfly* 21. *Patton in The Rock*, *Wichita* 22. *Wichita* 23. — **ITEM:** *The Palmetto Sisters*, *orchestra and concert* on Aug. 31; pleased to capacity houses both nights. *Patricia*, the best ever visited Escanaba. *Maud Henderson* on 1-8. — **ITEM:** *The Maid Henderson* on gave a benefit matinee for Mrs. Landerville, who has been drowned two weeks ago matinee netted \$800.

COLDWATER. — **TIBBET'S OPERA HOUSE** (John T. Jackson, mgr.): *The Cow Puncher* to very good business Aug. 20 and pleased. *The Girl from U.S.A.* 20; drew well 21 and gave satisfaction. *Olga Verna* offers *Porter*, *White's production* of *Patent* 2. *My Little Girl* presented as a Labor Day attraction. *Henry Miller's* production of *The Great Divide* 11-12. *Henry Miller's* *Reproduction* *Bonnie* is the book for 14.

BIG RAPIDS. — **COLONIAL** (Barrett, Dan May, *Molly Brown* Aug. 20; pleased fair. As told in the *Hills*, no good business and visitors. *The Customer*, *Morgan Black* on Aug. 20-22. *Cast from U.S.A.* 23, will open 8-11 at the Colonial with *A Woman of Mystery*. *The New Magdalene*, *She*, *My Wife's Husband*, *The Devil's Mother* 8. *Way Dances* and *the Queen*.

ALAMAROON. — **NEW FULLER** (F. D. and wife Mabel, singers; H. W. Crull, mgr.): *Great attraction* *William Rock* and *Maud Fullerton* in *The Candy Shop* 3. — **ITEM:** The opening of the New Fuller Theatre promises to be a success in every way; every seat having been sold two days before. — **ACADEMY OF MUSIC** (B. A. Bush, res. and mgr.): *Moses* and *the Woman* 2. *The Minister's Daughter* 3.

LANSING. — **RAIRD'S THEATRE** (Fred W. Hause, mng.): *The Baroness* Aug. 18; good and fair house. *Cast from U.S.A.* 19.

— **ITEM:** *The Baroness* Aug. 18.

— **ITEM:** *The Baroness* Aug.

22; good performance, and played to a B. B. O. Tempest and Sunshine 22. Gift of the U. S. A. 6. Buncs in Arizona 7. The Minister's Daughter 8. Faust 10. Joy of the World 11.

IRON MOUNTAIN.—BUNDLES' OPERA HOUSE (A. J. Bunde, mgr.): Tiger and the Lamb Aug. 24; pleased good house. A Royal Slave 25; satisfied large audience. In Wyoming 26. Hidden Hand 4. Helene Schmitz 7. The Minister's Daughter 14. Dougherty Stock co. 20-22. Faust 30.

ALPENA.—TEMPLE THEATRE (W. B. Robertson, mgr.): The Hidden Hand Aug. 20; fair co. house. The Blue Moon 27; matinees and night; fair co. and houses. Ben Hendricks in Ole Olson 1. Buncs in Arizona 2. Vanda Eros and her Girls 3.

PORT HURON.—MAJESTIC THEATRE (Sam Hartwell, mgr.): The Hidden Hand Aug. 20; fair co. house. The Burmese 27; matinees and night; fair co. and houses. Ben Hendricks in Ole Olson 1. Buncs in Arizona 2. Vanda Eros and her Girls 3.

OWOSO.—THEATRE (E. C. Whitney, prop.; A. C. Abbott, mgr.): Harry Hermon in The Burmese Aug. 20; was well received by a good house. The Cow-Puncher 4. As Told in the Hills 6.

ADRIAN.—CROSWELL OPERA HOUSE (C. D. Hardy, mgr.): Opened the season with The Great Divide 9. Paid in Full 10. Just Out of College 17.

MINNESOTA.

DULUTH.—LYCEUM THEATRE (C. A. Marshall, mgr.): The Three Twins Aug. 22-26 to full houses, delighted audiences; a very successful and much appreciated play. Wright Lorimer in The Shepherd King 30-4; standing room only thus far, to enthusiastic audiences; a good play and well given; the opening engagement of the season.

WINONA.—OPERA HOUSE (O. F. Burleson, mgr.): The College Boy Aug. 20; pleased light house. The Blue Mouse 30. Montana 1. Gorton's Minstrels 3. Home Coming week 30-4. The H. B. Kline attractions.

ST. CLOUD.—DAVIDSON OPERA HOUSE (E. T. Davidson, mgr.): The College Boy of Japan Aug. 29; small house; cast poor. Way Out West 2.

ST. PETER.—THEATRE (Lundke Brothers, mgrs.): Opened with Two Merry Tramps 1.

MISSISSIPPI.

NATCHEZ.—BAKER GRAND THEATRE (Sam J. Myers, mgr.): Will reopen about 10. House has been thoroughly renovated. ITEM: Manager Samuel J. Myers was married in Shreveport, La., Aug. 28, to Flora Strauss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Strauss, of that city. The bride is a popular and talented young woman, and the couple were showered with presents and congratulations from Mr. Myers' many friends in this city. After a honeymoon trip to the North and East, they will be at home Sept. 15 to their numerous friends in this city. Mr. Myers had been a resident of Natchez for three years, and is a prominent and popular member of the local Lodge of Elks.

COLUMBUS.—THEATRE (James W. Newley, mgr.): Has been redecorated, carpeted and generally overhauled and the local season will open 20 with the Jefferson Brothers.

MISSOURI.

ST. JOSEPH.—LYCEUM (C. U. Philley, mgr.): Ray Raymond in Dare Devil Dan Aug. 22-25 was well presented by a good cast; the scene of a railroad engine is very realistic; Ray Raymond and Flora Bain were the stars. Edmund Hayes in The Umpire 26-28 was a great laughing hit and was well seconded by James Collins; music, presentation and co. good; business excellent. The Montana Limited 29-1. Star Show Girls 2-4.

HANNIBAL.—PARK (J. B. Price, mgr.): Harry F. Dixey in Mary Jane's 4; opened 4. Eli and Jane 6. Dreamland 10. Tempest and Sunshine 11. The Golden Girl 15. Allen Musical Comedy co. 16-18.

SELDALIA.—NEW SEDALIA THEATRE (Geo. F. Hall, mgr.): Opened 4 with The Wolf; advance sale large. —WOOD'S THEATRE (H. W. Wood, mgr.): Opened 4 with Henry W. Savage's The Merry Widow.

FULTON.—PRATT'S THEATRE (Gaw and Newland, mgrs.): Stater's Madison Square Theatre co. opened 6 for a week. —ITEM: No improvements nor repairs, but the house was swept well of Aug. 30.

KIRKSVILLE.—BARRINGTON THEATRE: Opened with For Mother's Sake 6. Eli and Jane 8. Tempest and Sunshine 14. Blue Mouse 31.

COLUMBIA.—THEATRE (R. B. Stocks, mgr.): Opens its regular season 3 with The Wolf.

MONTANA.

BUTTE.—BROADWAY THEATRE (James K. Bechtel, mgr.): The Girl Question Aug. 29. 30. The Cat and the Fiddle 11-15. Three Twins 14, 15. Sunny Side of Broadway 17, 18. Polly of the Circus 19, 20. The Shepherd King 27. —MILKY THEATRE (G. Newland Crawford, mgr.): The Harry Cornell Stock co. in On the Bridge at Midnight 5-11; Ralph Belmont, A. L. Fanshaw, and Albert H. Freeland have joined the Cornell Stock co. and are on hand for opening night. —ITEM: George Donahue and his stock co. left 29 for Harlowtown and Lewistown, opening at Lewistown for week. The tour will last fourteen weeks, and includes Montana, Wyoming, and Idaho.

MISSOURI.—HARMOIS THEATRE (C. A. Harmois, mgr.): The Time, the Place, the Girl Aug. 21; good co.; fair house. A Gentleman from Mississippi 26; a fine co.; pleased a good house and received many curtain calls. A Knight for a Day; fair co.; fair house. The Girl Question 3.

NEBRASKA.

LINCOLN.—OLIVER (F. C. Zehnrich, mgr.): Dare Devil Dan Aug. 27-28, offered satisfactory production to good houses. Human Hearts 4. Grace Hayward Stock co. return engagement 6-11. —LYRIC (J. M. German, mgr.): The Masqueraders 30-31, offered by the new Lyric Stock co.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

PORTSMOUTH.—THEATRE (F. W. Hartford, mgr.): Jacob Wendell, Jr., assisted by several New York amateurs, presented the fol-

lowing programme 3 for the benefit of the Potowomut Cottage Hospital: A Game of Cards, Colonel Carteret, V. O. Mrs. Hillary Regrets. The season at this house will formally open Labor Day 8 with May Robson in The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary. The Yankee Doodle Detective 9. Souza's Band 14. A Stubborn Cinderella 15. The Traveling Salesman 18.

NEW JERSEY.

BURLINGTON.—AUDITORIUM (James W. Lanning, owner; Charles J. Lanning, mgr.): Fresh from the decorators' hands, the Auditorium will inaugurate the season 11 with The Climax, under the direction of Joseph H. Weber. The Smiles Set follows 15, (the Palm Court 16). —ITEM: One of the prettiest garden drops to be seen in the State, and certainly a masterpiece of work, was shown for the first Aug. 24. The work is from the brush of artist-playwright Clarence Bennett. The Wrens revival of M'Liss with Nellie McHenry in the title role, will be one of the early offerings at the Auditorium. The band with Robbins' Circus, which exhibited in the neighboring town of Bristol, Pa., 23, played several selections in this city. Many of our townspersons attended the performance, they taking advantage of the free ferry service. J. WILL BURR.

TRENTON.—TAYLOR OPERA HOUSE (Montgomery Moses, mgr.): Emma De Voe appeared Aug. 26 in Dreamland, to fair business. The Soul Kiss was the attraction 27, to large business; the co. was very satisfactory.

Henry F. Dixey appeared in Mary Jane's Fa 28, giving satisfaction to a large audience. Joe Webster 11. —ALBERT C. D. WILSON.

ATLANTIC CITY.—NIXON'S POLL (Fred E. Moore, mgr.): Charles Puchman presented week of Aug. 26-28 for the first time. Dollar Princess. Cast includes Donald Brian, Will West, Valle Valli, Adrienne Aszard, Louise Pounds, E. J. Connally, Albert Hart, Frank Tierney, F. Pope Stamper, Percival Knights, Norah Guy and a large and well trained chorus. Donald Brian and Valle Valli deserve special mention. The Dollar Princess is one of the prettiest musical comedies ever done here and is playing to capacity houses. Buster Brown 6-8. Grace George in A Woman's Way 9-11. —SAVOY (Harry E. Brown, mgr.): The Blue Mouse 30; good co. Havana 6-11.

PERTH AMBOY.—MAJESTIC (Mr. Sanderson, mgr.): Billy the Kid Aug. 25. Mary Jane's 26, Deadwood Dick's Last Shot 27, all pleased good business. Gertrude Arden in East Lynne 28 to S. H. O.; co. very good and includes Little Chambres, Steven King, Clara Lane, Baby Chambers, E. L. Lewis, Hollister, A. Seymour, W. F. Cattell, Ted Parham, Harry Palmer, and C. Smith. Nellie McHenry in U. T. C. I pleased good attendance.

NEW YORK.

ELMIRA.—BIRICK'S (Herbert Salinger, mgr.): Offenbach's La Perichole is not a particularly strong opera, but the Manhattan Opera co. garnished it with interpolations and it proved an acceptable offering Aug. 30-4; large business. Horace Wright was a dashing Pluquilla, and Bessie Dietrich sang the title-role most enjoyably. Tom Richards scored a distinct triumph as Miguel. Herbert Salinger was a good Viceroy, and Edward Beck an adequate Don Pedro. Frank Woolley as De Santarem, Marie Morgan as Guadalanes, Blanche Cane as Bessie, Eddie Robinson as Mastrilla, and Ted Weller and Fred H. Quinn as notaries contributed splendid work and the orchestra direction of Andrew Springer was of high order. Patience 6-11, bringing the opera season at this house to a close. —LYCEUM (Reis Circuit Co. lessee and mgrs.): Lee Norton, bus. mgr.): Partello Stock co. 26-28 in Those Middletons, Girls, Babes, Kidnapped, and On Parole. House of a Thousand Candles 6. Don't Tell My Wife 7. Girl from Hector's 8. —BURTIS OPERA HOUSE (Joseph Wallace, mgr.): Harcourt Comedy co. 30-4; good business with Jim the Westerner, Sherlock Holmes, Gambler's Wife, Dea of New York, My Old Kentucky Home, and in Convict's Stripes 6. —BURTIS AUDITORIUM (U. N. Ross, mgr.): Man from Home 10. —E. J. HENRY KERR.

SYRACUSE.—WIFTING (John L. Kerr, mgr.): Bailey and Austin in The Top o' the World to fair business Aug. 31. The Parisian Model with Grace Hazard 2-4. Commencement Days 6, 7. Norman Hackett in Beau Brummell 11. Little Nemo 13-18.

RASTABLE. (S. Basta, mgr.): Convict 9-9 drew large houses 28-29. Arthur Aiston's As the Sun Went Down was well performed to good sized houses 30-1. The Workingman's Wife 2-4. On Trial for His Life 6-8. The Right of Way 9-11. E. A. BRIDGWELL.

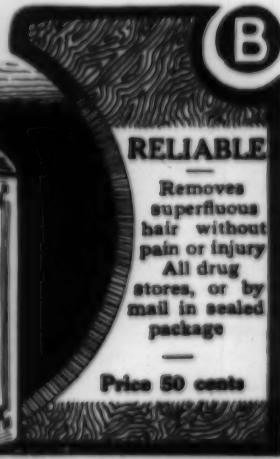
PEEKSKILL.—COLONIAL THEATRE (Eugene Meyers, local mgr.): This theatre, which was sold last Spring to Meers, Levy and Mundt, is now under control of the Advance Amusement Co., has been redecorated and overhauled, was opened Aug. 30 with vaudeville and moving pictures, which will be the continued policy of the owners. While this new policy will probably succeed, it has for the present deprived the theatre going public of the pleasure of seeing the excellent plays and musical comedies which were produced under the management of Fred S. Cunningham, who formerly owned the theatre. —ITEM: It is felt that a season of good plays could not have been arranged for in connection with this new vaudeville and moving picture policy, that all tastes might be satisfied.

OWEGO.—RICHARDSON (Frank E. Foster, mgr.): Graustark 1; good co. and business. Forty-Five Minutes from Broadway 11. Partello Stock co. 13-18. —ITEM: Frank Neary Schilling, of this city, will direct the orchestra at the Richardson during season. Mr. Schilling is a fine musician. The patrons of the Richardson may expect some good results under his direction. All the old members of the orchestra will be retained, with one or two exceptions. —Gertrude Perry, of the Graustark co. is well known here, and was warmly greeted by many friends. —The lobby of the Richardson has been redecorated, and presents a very handsome appearance. Manager Foster announces that vaudeville will continue on open dates all during the present season.

BINGHAMTON.—STONE OPERA HOUSE (J. P. E. Clark, mgr.): Partello co. 6-11. —ARMORY THEATRE (E. M. Hart, gen. mgr.): The Top o' the World Aug. 28, to big business. Cohan and Harris' Minstrels 30; was enthusiastically received by overfowing house. The Great Divide 1; pleased big house. At Cripple Creek 2. The Woman Pays 4. —ITEM: The Lion and the Mouse 30; good business. —ITEM: The death of J. B. Caldwell, who managed the affairs of this house for four years, is a source of regret to all who know him, in the profession and out of it.

GOLDEN BORO.—MENNERSBURG OPERA HOUSE (S. A. Schloss, lessee; J. B. Higgins, mgr.): Opened Aug. 24 Smart Set, poor business; fair co. which included J. Homer Tutt, W. A. Barnard, Sam Gardner, Frank Jackson, Sam Simms, James Woodson, Lindsay Lewis, Daisy Martin, Nettie Taylor, Mabel Brown and Mamie Gardner.

ROCKY MOUNT.—MASONIC OPERA HOUSE (John L. Arrington, lessee and mgr.): Aug. 23. The Smart Set; fair co. and business. Lionel Lawrence 6 in Forgiven.



The hall presented a beautiful appearance upon opening, having been improved greatly since last season; besides a new stage and drop curtain it has been redecorated and refurbished throughout. J. Gilbert Gordon, resident manager of the hall, was formerly of Daly's Theatre, New York.

AUBURN.—NEW JEFFERSON (J. G. Brooks, mgr.): Cohan and Harris' Minstrels Aug. 31 pleased big business. Partello Stock co. Aug. 30-4; excellent business. Plays given: College Girl, Bells, Those Middletons, Girls, Babes, Kidnapped, and On Parole. House of a Thousand Candles 6. Don't Tell My Wife 7. Girl from Hector's 8. —BURTIS OPERA HOUSE (Joseph Wallace, mgr.): Harcourt Comedy co. 30-4; good business with Jim the Westerner, Sherlock Holmes, Babes, Kidnapped, in repertoire.

LOWVILLE.—OPERA HOUSE (W. H. Kilpatrick, mgr.): Moving pictures every night except 1-4 (Lewis County Fair Week). Marks Brothers' Dramatic co. supporting May A. Belle Marks, in repertoire.

WATERDOWN.—CITY OPERA HOUSE (W. Scott Matratt, mgr.): Bailey and Austin in The Top o' the World Aug. 30; excellent, to capacity. The Man from Home 4. Myrtle Harder co. 6-11.

SODUS.—NEW OPERA HOUSE (Mills Brothers, owners and mgrs.): Will open Oct. 2 with A Pair of Country Kids, Graustark and A Knight for a Day will follow.

ODGENSBURG.—OPERA HOUSE (Charles A. Hubbard, mgr.): Will open 10 with Forty-Five Minutes from Broadway. —ITEM: Prospects are good for a big business the coming season.

OWEGO.—TIQO THEATRE (John A. Lass, prop. and mgr.): Married for Money 1; fair co. poor house. Fluffy Buffles 3. Norman Hackett as Beau Brummel 9.

HERKIMER.—GRAND OPERA HOUSE: Opened with Dr. Bag Brothers 17. The Bachelor Daily co. Oct. 11.

BATAVIA.—DELLINGER OPERA HOUSE (William F. Harts, mgr.): Will open with The House of a Thousand Candles 9.

NORTH CAROLINA.

CONCORD.—OPERA HOUSE (S. A. Schloss, lessee; Means and Bills, mgrs.): Has been thoroughly renovated and many improvements made. The Lion and the Mouse 30; pleased good business. —ITEM: The death of J. B. Caldwell, who managed the affairs of this house for four years, is a source of regret to all who know him, in the profession and out of it.

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NORTH DAKOTA.

GRAFTON.—GRAND OPERA HOUSE (H. L. Hausswold, mgr.): The Cat and the Fiddle opened Aug. 26 to S. R. O. One of the best productions seen here for some time.

OHIO.—CLIFFORD THEATRE (Edward Clifford, mgr.): The McLean Stock co. 6-11. —ITEMS: S. A. Kennedy and wife, who for many years had the Kennedy Sisters Comedy co., have settled down here in the hotel business. —Frank Powers, formerly stage-manager for Bennett's Opera House and the Market Square, after a visit to his old friends, has returned to Cleveland. —W. H. McGEOWAN.

NEWARK.—AUDITORIUM (Will D. Harris, lessee and mgr.): John W. Vogel's Minstrels opened Aug. 28; two performances to large and well-filled audiences. —ITEM: Estelle Allen in The Princess and the Pauper 30, to fair business. —ITEM: The Auditorium has undergone a complete renovation and has been redecorated throughout. —Harvey J. Moore, interlocutor of Vogel's Minstrels, managed the Orpheum in Newark last season and is quite a favorite here. His song, "Molly Dee," made a great hit. —S. E. Vasey, former manager of Orpheum in Mansfield, O., is in Newark, completing arrangements for the opening of the Orpheum Theatre here. —Mr. Vasey is to be manager of Orpheum in Newark this season.

SPRINGFIELD.—FAIRBANKS (L. M. Boda, gen. mgr.): Harry A. Ketcham, bus. mgr. 1; Al G. Field's Minstrels opened Aug. 30. Mr. Field has the best show and scenic production he has ever presented and delighted S. R. O. —The Climax 6. —GRAND (Springfield Theatre Co., mgrs.): V. Morrison, bus. mgr. 1; Hyde's Theatre Party 28-29; closed their engagement in Chimney Fader, Still Waters Run Deep, The Texan, to good houses. —Kinney Stock co. 30-4; co. and presentations fair, to

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fair business. Plays: *The Widow, Woman Against Woman, A Mad Love, Girl of Eagle Land, Messenger Boy, The Girl from the Fair, An Innocent Sinner*. *Maxwell-Hall Stock co.* 6-11.

MARION.—**THE GRAND** (J. V. Howell, lessee; Edmund Hall, mgr.): Opened with Al. G. Field's *Minstrels* Aug. 26 to capacity house. The *Marion* Widow, *Hegmarr*, pleased a fair house 28. The co. included George Lyding, Carl Hoffman, Albert A. Davis, W. Morton, Marie Wykopp, W. L. Homaine, Arthur Deane, Walter Royal, C. W. Ears, Jack Leslie, Margaret Baxter, Maro Strasselle, Estel Ladd, Margaret de Mordendore, and Amete Lichten, Vandeville 30-13. The *Climax* and *The Traveling Salesmen* are booked for early dates.

AKRON.—**COLONIAL** (Eastern Ohio Theatre Co. lessee; F. E. Johnson, res. mgr.): S. Miller Kent in *A Dry Town 4*. *Flower of the Ranch 6*. *Bailey* and *Austin* in *Top o' th' World 7*. Paid in Full 8. *The World and a Woman 9*. *Florence Gear in Fluffy Ruffles 11*. **GRAND** (O. L. Elster, mgr.): *Convict 900* pleased large business 30-1. *Estelle Allen in Princess of Patches 24*. *Way Down East 6-8*.

CALLIPOLIS.—**THEATRE** (J. M. Kaufman, mgr.): *Vogel's Minstrels* opened Aug. 24 to S. R. O. and gave the best minstrel performances ever given here. Moving pictures drawing good houses when no other attractions are playing. Prospects good for business here this season.

FINDLAY.—**MAJESTIC** (L. J. Slevin, mgr.): *Martin's Uncle Tom's Cabin 1*. *The Flower Girl 2*. *The Great Divide 7*. *Hyde Stock co.* 18-19. **GILLETTE** (William Larkins, res. mgr.): *Bayview Stock co.* 27.

WARRIOR.—**OPERA HOUSE** (John J. Murphy, mgr.): *Princess of Patches Aug. 31*. *Yorke and Adams in Africa 1*. *The Moonshiner's Daughter 2*. *Primrose's Minstrels 3*.

HAMILTON.—**SMITH'S** (M. Reiss Circuit Co., Tom A. Smith, res. mgr.): *Al. G. Field's Minstrels* opened season to fair business. *Ye Colonial Stock 6-11*.

BUCKHORN.—**OPERA HOUSE** (W. F. Gehrigs, mgr.): *F. A. Wade presented The Flower of the Ranch 3*.

NAPOLION.—**OPERA HOUSE** (J. M. Riegger, mgr.): Season opened 7 with the *Franklin Stock co.*

FRUITLANDS.—**CITY OPERA HOUSE** (Kivits and Van Ostren, mgrs.): *John W. Vogel's Minstrels 4*. *A Pair of Country Kids 13*. *Heart and Home 17*. *Tempest and Sunshine 30*.

OKLAHOMA.

WALMASTER.—**THE BUSBY** (A. Burt, res. mgr.): *The Alaskan 25* and *Adeline Thurston 27*.—ITEM: The new Majestic, being built by Mr. Small, will run stock instead of vaudeville, as first reported.

OREGON.

SALEM.—**GRAND** (John F. Cordray, mgr.): *Mary Apple Cakes in concert recital Aug. 22*. Indicated fair audience. *The Girl from Rector's 4*.—ITEM: The outlook for this season is better than the average both as to plays and audiences, as financial affairs are better in this part of the West.

MEDFORD.—**THEATRE** (Charles D. Hazelrigg, owner and mgr.): Opened 1 with *The Girl from Rector's*. *Fifty Miles from Boston 20*.

PENNSYLVANIA.

SCRANTON.—**LYCEUM** (G. L. Durbin, mgr.): *Bailey and Austin in The Top o' th' World* pleased excellent business; those of the co. who merited particular mention were Percy Walling, Francis Carrier, Florence Smith, and Anna Bevare; others were D. J. Flanagan, Thomas J. McMahon, Bonnie Gordon, Walter S. Wills, Will-Nell, Lavender, Daisy Fuguet, Charles Barnes, Robert Long, and Colonel North. *Florence Gear in Fluffy Ruffles 2*. *The Three Twins 6*. *Thurston 10, 11*.—**ACADEMY** (G. L. Durbin, mgr.): At Cripple Creek Aug. 26-28; on and business good; among them having parts were Frederick Pittman, John Howorth, Colvin Varney, B. F. Loftus, William McCrystal, Chester Cook, Virginia Clay, Hodda Laurent, Jessie Cook, Little Pauline, and Rose McNamee. *Billy the Kid 30-1*; co. and business very good. Nolan Gaul in the title-role made a decided hit, and John S. Mahr, Paul Hamlin, and Eva Clifton deserve special mention; others were Andrew Glassford, Glenna Wallace, Joseph D. Reed, Frank T. Brady, Fred Stevens, Louis Peters, William Borrow, and Edward Smith. *The Burglar 2-4*. *The River Pirates 6-8*. *The Final Settlement 9-11*.—ITEM: Manager Durbin has made many improvements, among them a new drop curtain, at the Lyceum, which is much appreciated by the patrons.

HARRISBURG.—**MAJESTIC** (Reis, lessee and owner; N. C. Mieckie, local mgr.): In Alabama with Gus Adams and George Gubl in the roles formerly acted by the Rogers Brothers. drew a fine house Aug. 26. The co. is one of more than usual excellence. The chorus is strong and well dressed. Good attendance. *Fluffy Ruffles* with *Florence Gear* in the title-role. 28; good co. and good performance. Miss Gear is a worthy successor to Hattie Williams in the character of *Fluffy Ruffles*. Henry Dixey in his latest success, *Mary Jane's Pa*, 30; fair business and well pleased audiences. Play well produced. Little Johnny Jones 31; good attraction and good attendance; pleased. *Christine Lind Concert co.* 1; a frost; very light house. Miss Lind deserved a better fate, as she is possessed of a fine voice and method. Al H. Williams in *Beauty of Graustark* 3. Norman Hackett 4.

WILKES-BARRE.—**GRAND OPERA** (H. H. Hurlin, Harry A. Brown, mgr.): *Miss Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch 6, 7*.—**POLY** (Gordon Wright, mgr.): *The Warrens of Virginia 30*; excellent production, to excellent houses. *Vaudville 4-11*.—**LUZERNE** (Lewis H. Baker, mgr.): *Sam Devere's co.* 26-28; good co. and business. *Jardin de Paris 30-1*; pleased good houses. *Miss New York, Jr. 2-4*. *The Brigadiers 6-8*. *The Big Review 9-11*.—**NESBITT** (Harry A. Brown, mgr.): *Queen of the Secret Seven 26-28*; drew good business. *A Workingman's Wife 30-1*; good co.; fair business. *Billy the Kid 24*.

WILLIAMS-PORT.—**VALIAMONT PAVILION** (William H. Amer, mgr.): *Clara Turner co.* in *The Beggar and the Millionsaire Aug. 26-28*. *The Midnight Robbery 30-2*, to large and appreciative audiences. Clara Turner and Mr. Hammond are favorites here. The plays are all nicely staged. *The Days of '61 2-4*.—**LYCETTIN** **OPERA HOUSE**: Opened its season 2 with *Brady's Girls Will Be Girls*. Norman Hackett in *Bean Brummell 6*.—**FAMILY THEATRE**: Opened 13. Both houses have been renovated.

JOHNSTOWN.—**CAMBRIA THEATRE** (H. W. Scherer, mgr.): *Maselle, with Louise Gear in business 27*. Good performance and big business. In *Panama*, with Adams and Gubl, 28; good attraction and business. *The Graustark Stock co.* opened the week of 30-4, with *The Factory Girl* and *The Convict and the Lady* to good business and evident satisfaction to its patrons. Paid in full will interrupt 1.—ITEM: *Majestic* and *Globe* theatres both re-opened 6.

KORHISTOWN.—**GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (Reis Circuit, lessee; Charles M. Southwick, mgr.): In *Dreamland Aug. 26*, pleased a large audience. *Billy the Kid 28*; fair business. *Little Johnny Jones 31*; pleased good business. *When His Wife's Away 2*.—**GARRICK** (A. and Z. Sablosky, mgrs.): Will open 7 with vaudeville and motion pictures.—**BLJOU** (A. and Z. Sablosky, mgrs.): Mr. John Getteman with illustrated songs and motion pictures, to good business.

YORK.—**OPERA HOUSE** (B. C. Penta, mgr.): Opened 1 with *Beverly of Graustark*; co. excellent; business good. Deserving of special mention are the *Muses*, *Beverly, Shayne and Carmontelle*, and *Mosar, Whitmer, Arthur and Gubl*. *Wise 2*. *Al H. Wilson 3*. *Stetson, Price 4*. *Man of the Hour 6*. *Princess of Patches 7*. *Leonard's Minstrels 8*. *Billy the Kid 10*. *When His Wife's Away 13*. *Devil's Auction 14*. *Cradled in the Deep 15*. *Brewster's Millions 16*. *Stetson's U. T. G. 18*.

WARREN.—**LIBRARY THEATRE** (J. D. Woodard, mgr.): *J. D. Woodard has leased Library Theatre and takes possession and is making his house put in excellent condition. It will be conducted as a combination theatre and will be known as the Reis Circuit*. The opening attraction has not yet been announced. The outlook for a good season's business is excellent, the town being in a very prosperous condition.

READING.—**ACADEMY** (Reis and Appell, lessees; F. Levy, mgr.): *Florence Gear in Fluffy Ruffles Aug. 27*; excellent performance to good business. *Emmet DeVoy in Dreamland 28* pleased good sized house. Paid in Full 29; co. and business excellent. Al. Wilson in *Mets in Ireland* 1 delighted good business. *Christine Lind Concert co. 2*. *East Lynne 4*. *The Lost Trail 6*. *Billy the Kid 8, 9*. *Ed Leonard's 11*.

MAHANOY CITY.—**KAJER'S OPERA HOUSE**: Will open 17 with *Polly of the Circus*. This house has been thoroughly renovated and will be piloted during this season by Marie Kajer, daughter of the proprietress and business directress of the extensive Kajer enterprises, for which they refused an offer of over \$1,000,000. Miss Kajer has already shown real ability as manager.

WEST CHESTER.—**GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (Nixon, Cohen and Harris Circuit, lessee; J. F. Small, res. mgr.): Opened with *The Girl of the Sunny South* to large business Aug. 28; fair co. *The Holy City 6*. *King's East Lynne 7*. *Stetson's U. T. G. 8*. *The Lost Trail 10*. *The Climax 13*.—ITEM: The theatre has been renovated throughout, the scenery newly painted and made fireproof.

HEADVILLE.—**ACADEMY OF MUSIC** (Mr. Mack, mgr.): Opened with *Florence Gear in Fluffy Ruffles*. *LYCEUM* (W. E. Schatz, mgr.): *Al. Adams 1*. Opened with *vaudeville and moving pictures*.—ITEM: Mr. Schatz is building a theatre at Sharon, Pa., which he will run in connection with his house here.

POTTSVILLE.—**A CADEMY** (M. Reiss, prop.; Charles Heissmann, mgr.): *Chautaukay 1*. *Keller 2*. *co. closed Aug. 28*; fair house. *Girls Will Be Girls 30*; good house and performance. *Fluffy Ruffles 31* delighted good business. *When His Wife's Away 3*. *Thurston 6*. *Leonard's Minstrels 9*.

SUNBURY.—**CHESTNUT STREET OPERA HOUSE** (Fred J. Brodin, lessee and mgr.): *The Three Twins* will open the house 9. *John Beresford 18*. *The Lost Trail 20*. *Miss Muffet 20*.—**PARK THEATRE** (Rolling Green Park, Haviland Thornton co.): will present *The Mighty Dollar 3*.

POTTSVILLE.—**GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (E. Reis, prop.; Charles Heissmann, mgr.): *Fluffy Ruffles Aug. 26* with *Florence Gear, pleased medium sized audience*. *Good co. Little Johnny Jones 28*, to fair business; co. and attraction good. *East Lynne 3*. *Yankee Circus 4*. *Princess of Patches 6*. *Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch 8*.

WASHINGTON.—**NIXON** (Reis Circuit Co., lessee; C. D. Miller, mgr.): Opened Aug. 26 with *Yorke and Adams* in *Africa* as the attraction; house presented a beautiful and clean appearance and was well filled. Paid in Full 4.

ST. MARY'S.—**TEMPLE THEATRE** (G. S. Soper, mgr.): *Girls Will Be Girls 15*. *Polly of the Circus 20*. *The Yankee Circus Oct. 4*. *The County Sheriff 13*.

SHARON.—**GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (G. B. Sharpe, mgr.): Opened 2 with *Primrose's Minstrels*.—ITEM: House has been renovated and repaired.

TAMAQUA.—**WALKER OPERA HOUSE** (George Leroy Walker, mgr.): At Cripple Creek Aug. 20 opened season; good house and business.

SHAMOKIN.—**GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (M. Reiss Circuit Co.; B. S. Wofford, mgr.): Opened 2 with *Girls Will Be Girls*. *Thurston, magician 7*.

RIDGWAY.—**OPERA HOUSE** (Hyde and Powell, mgrs.): *Girls Will Be Girls 14*, opening the season.

CAHLISLE.—**OPERA HOUSE** (W. H. Brett, mgr.): Opened with *Princess of Patches 8*. *When His Wife Is Away 11*.

OIL CITY.—**THEATRE** (G. W. Lowder, mgr.): Opened 1 with *Moonshiner's Daughter* as attraction. Future dates unsettled.

ROHDE ISLAND.

WOONSOCKET.—**OPERA HOUSE** (Jos. E. Ogden, mgr.): *The Weber Stock co. opened Aug. 30-4*, to fair business, presenting *Lady Audley's Secret, Three Hats, Man of Mystery, Danites*.—**NEW BLJOU THEATRE** (George H. Hales, mgr.): *Good bill presented for the week, continuing to fill the house*.

NEWPORT.—**OPERA HOUSE** (Cahn and Gross Co., mgrs.): *Daniel Sally in The Matchmaker 6*. *Miss Petticoats 7*. *Eight Bells 8*.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

ABBEVILLE.—**GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (Cobb and Cheatham, mgrs.): *Jefferson Brothers 14* in *The Heiresses*. *Al. Field's Minstrels 24*. *Mac Stuart in Romeo and Juliet Oct. 8*. *Human Hearts Oct. 18*. *Norman Hackett in Beau Brummell Nov. 1*. *Florence Gear co. in Fluffy Ruffles 15*. *Paul Gilmore in The Call of the North Dec. 7*.

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COLUMBIA.—**THEATRE** (F. L. Brown, mgr.): *McFadden's Flats Aug. 27*; poor to large house. *Soul Kiss 6*. *The Wolf 9*. *Traveling Salesman 10*. *Jefferson Boys 13*. *Land of Nod 14*. *Yorke and Adams 15*. *Al. G. Field 20*.

FLORENCE.—**THEATRE** (Frank Brand, mgr.): *Graustark 2*.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

SIOUX FALLS.—**THE NEW THEATRE** (Fred Becher, mgr.): *Ernest Fisher and co. Aug. 28* in *The Three of Us*, to excellent business. *The Old Clothes Man 30*. *Ernest Fisher and co. 31*. *Grace Hayward co. 15-19*.—ITEM: Mr. Becher, who for years has sold tickets, has been promoted to manager of the Sioux Falls house. Mr. Jenkins right hand man, has been promoted to manager of Sioux City, Iowa, to manage his theatre there. The New Grand.

YANKTON.—**NEW THEATRE** (M. W. Jenkins, mgr.): *The Old Cloth Man Aug. 24 to fair business*. *The Girl and the Stampede 6*. *The Sunny Side of Broadway 11*.

TENNESSEE.

KNOXVILLE.—**STAUB'S THEATRE** (Fritz Staub, mgr.): Opened 6 with *Knox Wilson in The Land of Nod 31*. *Al. G. Field's Greater Minstrels 7*.—**BLJOU** (Fred Martin, mgr.): Opened 12 with *The Candy Kid* and continue 14, 15.—**AUDITORIUM** (W. C. Brownlow, mgr.): *S. Tutt Whitney in The Smart Set 8*.

CHATTANOOGA.—**SHUBERT THEATRE** (O. A. Neal, mgr.): Opened 1 with *Land of Nod 20*.—**BLJOU THEATRE** (O. A. Neal, mgr.): Opened 8 with *The Candy Kid*.

TEXAS.

BONHAM.—**STEGER OPERA HOUSE** (Stevenson and Wilson, mgrs.): This house has been thoroughly overhauled; prospects for business are fine. The management is anxious to get a good attraction to open the house.

CALVERT.—**OPERA HOUSE**: Will open Oct. 5 with *The Convict's Daughter*.

VERMONT.

BARRE.—**OPERA HOUSE** (Fox and Eaton, mgrs.; John E. Hoban, res. mgr.): *Gage Stock co. Aug. 25-28* gave satisfaction to good business in the following plays: *The Belle of Richmond, His Majesty and the Maid, The Golden Rule, Rival Candidates, Sapho, Little Alabama, and A Fighting Chance*.

WASHINGTOM.—**OPERA HOUSE** (John E. Williams, mgr.): Opened with *Richard Carle in Mary's Lamb 6*. *To be followed by The Merry Widow*.—ITEM: House has been thoroughly renovated and new scenery added.

OCONTO.—**TURNER OPERA HOUSE** (Charles Norton, mgr.): *Palmette Sisters Aug. 27, 28*; fair houses; excellent programme. *Lens Rivers 20*; big house; co. line. *The Fighting Parson 2*. *Harvey D. Orr Stock co. 18-19*.

PORTAGE.

OPERA HOUSE (A. H. Carnegie, mgr.): *W. B. Patton in The Blockhead Aug. 31*; good co.; good business. *Her Dark Marriage 1*; fair co.; good house. *The Tiger and the Lamb 2*. *Tempest and Sunshine 5*.

BELOIT.—**WILSON'S OPERA HOUSE** (R. H. Wilson, mgr.): *Ole Petersen, to small house Aug. 26*. *Gordon's Minstrels pleased fair house 31*. *The Girl from U. S. A. 4*.

WAUSAU.—**GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (C. S. Cone, mgr.): *Aug. 22-25, dark*. *Winninger Brothers' co. 20-25*.—ITEM: *Winninger Brothers, who reside in Wausau, opened their season in Merrill, Wis. 22-25*.

WYOMING.

LABAMIE.—**OPERA HOUSE** (H. E. Root, mgr.): *Uncle Josh Perkins Aug. 21-23*; excellent.

CANADA.

QUEBEC, QUE.—**BENNETT'S AUDITORIUM** (G. H. A. Alois, res. mgr.): The season opened with *The Gingerbread Man 2*. The policy of this theatre this season will be to book traveling cos.—**THEATRE POPULAIRE** (Arthur Drapéau, lessee and mgr.): This house, now under the new management, opened 30 with the stock co. in *Ques Vadis*. All plays will be produced in French.

OTTAWA, ONT.—**THE RUSSELL THEATRE** (P. Gorman, mgr.): *Faust 6. Commencement Days 5, 9*.—**GRAND OPERA HOUSE** (H. J. Birdwhistle, mgr.): *Mark Brothers Stock co. 6-11*.

ST. JOHN, N. B.—**OPERA HOUSE** (H. J. Anderson, mgr.): *Clivette, magician, and co. Aug. 30-31, opened to a fair house; performance very clever, including the Pantser Trio. The Gay Matinee Girl 1-2*.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—**THEATRE** (W. B. Lawrence, mgr.): Opened for the season 6 with *Coriolan in Mile. Mischief and continuing with Shubert bookings*.

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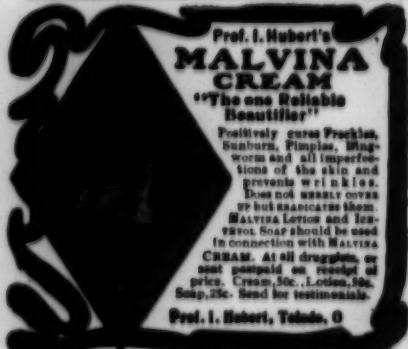
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New Braunfels 19. **McINTYRE AND HEATH** (Klaw and Erlanger, mgrs.): New York city Aug. 30—Indefinite. **MERRY WIDOW** (Henry W. Savage, mgr.): St. Louis, Mo. 5-11. Sheboygan, Wis. 13. Monomonee 14. Green Bay 15. Fond du Lac 16. Appleton 17. Oshkosh 18. **MERRY WIFE** (Henry W. Savage, mgr.): Bridgeport, Conn. 7. Waterbury 8. Hartford 9-11. Middlebury 13. New London 14. Norwich 15. New Bedford, Mass. 16. Newport, R. I. 17. Fall River, Mass. 18. **MERRY WIDOW AND THE DEVIL** (Joseph Weber, mgr.): Newark, N. J. 13-18. **MIDNIGHT SONS** (Sam S. and Lee Shubert, inc., and Lew Fields, mgrs.): New York city May 22—Indefinite. **MOORE, VICTOR** (Cohan and Harris, mgrs.): Indianapolis, Ind. 6-11. Milwaukee, Wis. 12-17. **MOTOR GIRL** (Frank Hennessy, mgr.): New York city June 15—Indefinite. **NEWLYWEDS AND THREE BABY** (Geo. Goett, mgr.): Rochester, N. Y. 6-11. Brooklyn, N. Y. 13-18. **PAHISIAN MODEL** (Mittenthal Brothers, mgrs.): Toronto, Ont. 6-11. Grand Rapids, Mich. 12. Sault Ste. Marie 13. Marquette 14. Calumet 15. Hancock 16. Ishpeming 17. **POWER, JAMES T.** (Sam S. and Lee Shubert, inc., mgrs.): New York city Aug. 9—Indefinite. **PRINCE OF TO-NIGHT** (Mort H. Singer, mgr.): Louisville, Ky. 6-11. St. Louis, Mo. 12-18. **PRINCESS OPERA** (Loverich and Campbell, mgrs.): San Francisco, Cal. July 26—Indefinite. **QUEEN OF THE MOULIN ROUGE** (Thomas W. Riley, mgr.): Chicago, Ill. Aug. 20—Indefinite. **RAYS, THE** (Stair and Nicolai, mgrs.): Chicago, Ill. 6-18. **REED MILL** (H. B. Emery, mgr.): Logansport, Ind. 7. Elwood 8. Anderson 9. Muncie 10. Richmond 11. Hamilton, O. 12. Chillicothe 13. Portsmouth 14. Huntington, W. Va. 15. Lexington, Ky. 16. Frankfort 17. Owensboro 18. Evansville, Ind. 19. **ROBINSON OPERA** (C. L. Robinson, mgr.): Montreal, P. Q. May 17—Indefinite. **ROBINS, GLEN** (Herbert Salinger, mgr.): Elkhorn, N. J. May 25-Sept. 1. **ROSS OF ALGERIA** (Sam S. and Lee Shubert, inc., mgrs.): Philadelphia, Pa. 6-11. **ROYAL CHEF** (F. A. Wade, mgr.): Fairbury, Ill. 7. Kankakee 8. South Chicago 11. Kenosha, Wis. 12. Stoughton 13. Madison 14. Manitowoc 15. Antigo 16. Wausau 17. Green Bay 19. **SCHOOL DAYS** (Stair and Nicolai, mgrs.): Pittsburgh, Pa. 6-11. Paterson, N. J. 13-18. **SIDNEY, GEORGE** (Stair and Nicolai, mgrs.): Cleveland, O. 6-11. Ft. Wayne, Ind. 12. Angola 13. Battle Creek, Mich. 14. Kalamazoo 15. Grand Rapids 16-18. **SMART SET** (Barton-Wiswell and Nolan and Co.): Bristol, Tenn. 7. Knoxville 8. Chattanooga 9. Decatur, Ala. 10. Sheffield 11. Memphis, Tenn. 12. Pine Bluff, Ark. 13. Little Rock 14. Hot Springs 15. Prescott 16. Texarkana 17. Jefferson, Tex. 18. Shreveport, La. 19. **SUL KISS** (Wells Amusement Co., mgrs.): Augusta, Ga. 7. Charleston, S. C. 8. Savannah, Ga. 9. Jacksonville, Fla. 10. Macon, Ga. 11. Chattanooga, Tenn. 13. Birmingham, Ala. 14. Atlanta, Ga. 15. 16. Montgomery, Ala. 17. Mobile, 18. **STURHORN CINDERELLA** (Eastern; Arthur Houghton, mgr.): Haverhill, Mass. 7. Lawrence 8. Lynn 9. Gloucester 10. Lowell 11. Manchester, N. H. 13. Concord 14. Portsmouth 15. Biddeford, Me. 16. Portland 17. 18. **STURHORN CINDERELLA** (Western; Perry J. Kelly, mgr.): Rock Island, Ill. 7. Burlington, Ia. 8. Cedar Rapids 9. Dubuque 10. Madison, Wis. 11. Milwaukee 12-18. Waukegan, Ill. 19. **SUNNY SIDE OF BROADWAY** (Boyle Woollen, mgr.): Sioux Falls, S. D. 7. Mitchell 8. Yankton 9. Vermillion 10. Norfolk, Neb. 11. Sioux City 12-18. **SUPERHERO** (Edwin Warner, mgr.): Indianapolis, Ind. 6-11. Louisville, Ky. 12-18. **THREE TWINS** (Joe M. Galtis, mgr.): Brooklyn, N. Y. 6-11. New York city 13-18. **THREE TWINS** (Joe M. Galtis, mgr.): Minneapolis, Minn. 6-11. Billings, Mont. 13. Butte 14. 15. Helena 16. Missoula 17. Wallace, Idaho 18. **TIME, THE PLACE AND THE GIRL** (Eastern: H. H. Frase, prop.): Chicago, Ill. 6-11. Detroit, Mich. 12-18. **TIME, THE PLACE AND THE GIRL** (Western: H. H. Frase, prop.): Seattle, Wash. 5-11. Vancouver 14. Tacoma 15. Victoria, B. C. 15. Vancouver 16. 17. Westminister 18. Bellingham, Wash. 19. **TOP O' THE WORLD** (G. M. Allison, mgr.): Jackson, Mich. 10, 11. Detroit 13-18. **TRIP TO JAPAN AND THROUGH THE CENTRE OF THE EARTH** (Shubert and Anderson, mgrs.): New York city Sept. 4—Indefinite. **WARD AND VOKEY** (Stair and Nicolai, mgrs.): Boston, Mass. 6-11. Montreal, P. Q. 13-18. **WHALOM OPERA** (Charles Van Dyne, mgr.): Pittsburgh, Mass. June 15-Sept. 11. **WILLIAMS, BERT A.** (Jack Shoemaker, mgr.): St. Louis, Mo. 5-11. Quincy, Ill. 13. Galena 14. Peoria 15. Davenport, Ia. 16. Des Moines 17. 18. **WEARD OF WIRELAND** (Eastern; Harry Scott, mgr.): Hammond, Ind. 6. Frankfort 7. Hesston 8. Fairbury 9. Pontiac 10. Streator 11. La Salle 12. Ottawa 13. Princeton 14. Kewanee 15. Galva 16. Geneseo 17. Rock Island 18. Davenport, Ia. 19. **WEARD OF WIRELAND** (Western; Harry Scott, mgr.): Burlington, Wis. 7. Waukesha 8. Sheboygan 9. Waupun 10. Beloit 11. Racine 12. Elkhorn 13. Harvard, Ill. 14. Rockford 15. Freeport 16. De Kalb 17. Joliet 18. Aurora 19. **YORKIE AND ADAMS** (Ed S. Daley, mgr.): Nashville, Tenn. 6-11. Rome, Ga. 18. Athens 19.

14. Columbia, S. C. 15. Charleston 16. Savannah, Ga. 17. Augusta 18. **MINSTRELS.** **COHAN AND HARRIS**: Pittsburgh, Pa. 6-11. **DOOKSTADER'S, LOU** (Lee Williams, mgr.): Pittsburgh, Pa. 6-11. Cincinnati, O. 12-18. **FELLI'S** (Al. G. Field, mgr.): Knoxville, Tenn. 7. Asheville, N. C. 8. Greenville, S. C. 9. Charlotte, N. C. 10. Greensboro 11. Lynchburg, Va. 13. Petersburg 14. Richmond 15. Newport News 16. Norfolk 17. Raleigh, N. C. 18. **FOX'S, ROY E.**: New Castle, Pa. 6-8. **GEORGIA TROUBADOURS** (Wm. McCabe, mgr.): Lakota, Ia. 7. What Cheer 8. Deep River 9. 10. **GORTON'S MINSTRELS**: St. Cloud, Minn. 7. Fargo, N. D. 8. Valley City 8. Jamestown 10. Bismarck 11. **GUTHRIE**: St. Albans, Vt. 9. **PRIMROSE'S, GEORGE** (Wm. Marmington, mgr.): East Liverpool, O. 7. Steubenville 8. Canton 9. Norwalk 10. Toledo 11. **RICHARDS AND PRINGLE'S** (Holland and Filius, mgrs.): Ft. Worth, Tex. 7. Cleburne 8. Waco 9. Austin 10. San Marcos 11. San Antonio 12. Floresville 13. Beeville 14. Goliad 15. Victoria 16. Cuero 17. Yoakum 18. Brown 19. **VOGEL'S** (John W. Vogel, mgr.): Washington, Pa. 7. Wheeling, W. Va. 8. 9. Wellsville, O. 10. Canal Dover 11. **BURLESQUE.** **AMERICANS** (Teddy Simonds, mgr.): Cleveland, O. 6-11. Pittsburgh, Pa. 13-18. **AVENUE GIRLS** (Dan Schuller, mgr.): Philadelphia, Pa. 6-11. Scranton 13-15. Wilkes-Barre 16-18. **BEHMAN SHOW** (Jack Singer, mgr.): Brooklyn, N. Y. 5-15. **BIG REVIEW** (Henry P. Dixon, mgr.): Paterson, N. J. 6-8. Jersey City 9-11. Boston, Mass. 13-18. **BLACK CROOK**: Altoona, Pa. 8. **BOHEMIANS** (Al. Labin, mgr.): Newark, N. J. 6-11. Chester, Pa. 15-18. **BON TONS** (Weber and Bush, mgrs.): Chicago, Ill. 5-11. Cincinnati, O. 12-18. **BOWERY** (E. M. Rosenthal, mgr.): Detroit, Mich. 6-11. Chicago, Ill. 12-18. **BRIGADIERS** (Wash Martin, mgr.): Wilkes-Barre, Pa. 6-8. Scranton 9-11. Albany, N. Y. 13-15. **BROADWAY GAYETY GIRLS** (Louis J. Oberstadt, mgr.): St. Paul, Minn. 6-11. 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Minneapolis 12-18. **FASELY'S PLATE** (Harry Montague, mgr.): Louisville, Ky. 6-11. Cincinnati, O. 13-18. **FESTIVAL** (John Grievs, mgr.): New York city 6-11. Newark, N. J. 13-18. **FOLLIES OF THE DAY** (Barney Gerard, mgr.): Pittsburgh, Pa. 6-11. Washington, D. C. 13-18. **FOLKLES OF THE MOULIN ROUGE** (Joe Hurtt, mgr.): Chicago, Ill. Aug. 30-11. Cleveland, O. 13-18. **FROLICsome LAMBS** (T. E. Block, mgr.): New York city 6-11. Brooklyn, N. Y. 13-20. **GAETY GIRLS** (Pat White, mgr.): Philadelphia, Pa. 6-11. Wilkes-Barre 13-15. Scranton 16-18. **GAY MASQUERADES** (Bob Russack, mgr.): Albany, N. Y. 6-8. Schenectady 9-11. New York city 13-18. **GIRLS FROM HAPPYLAND** (Lou Burzil, mgr.): Buffalo, N. Y. 6-11. Toronto, Ont. 13-18. **GOULDEN CROOK** (Jacobs and Jermon, mgrs.): St. Louis, Mo. 5-11. Kansas City 12-18. **HASTINGS, HARRY**: Toronto, Ont. 6-11. Rochester, N. Y. 13-18. **HIGH ROLLERS** (H. B. Woodhill, mgr.): Kansas City, Mo. 5-11. Des Moines, Ia. 13-15. Marshalltown 16. 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Rounds, mgr.): Detroit, Mich. 7-14. **ROYAL ARTILLERY** (Jos. De Vito, mgr.): Overbrook Park, Baltimore, Md. 6-11. **SOUSA** (James R. Barnes, mgr.): Hartford, Conn. 6-11. Rockville 9. Westport, Ia. 10. Newport 11. Boston, Mass. 12-15. Lowell 13. Portsmouth, N. H. 14. Portland, Me. 15. Sherbrooke, Can. 16. Quebec 17. Montreal 18. St. Johns 19. **TOSCO'S, EMILE**: West End, New Orleans, La. 6-11. **VESSELLA**: Sans Souci, Chicago, Ill. 6-11. **CIRCUSES.** **BARNUM AND BAILEY'S**: Topeka, Kan. 7. Salina 8. Great Bend 9. Hutchinson 10. Wichita 11. **BOSTOCK'S ANIMALS**: Coney Island, N. Y. 6-11. **BUFFALO BILL-PAWNEE BILL** (Gordon W. Lude, mgr.): Nebraska City, Neb. 7. Kansas City, Mo. 13-18. **CAMPBELL BROS.**: Limon, Colo. 7. **CARLISLE'S WILD WEST**: Staten Island, N. Y. 6-11. **GOLLMAR BROTHERS**: Stuart, Ia. 7. **HAGENBECK-WALLACE**: Alton, Ill. 7. **MORRIS AND ROWE'S**: St. Thomas, Ont. 7. Chatham 8. **101 RANCH WILD WEST** (Miller Brothers, mgr.): Horton, Kan. 7. 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